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WATER SHORTAGE REGULATIONS

P.W.D.'S POWERS

COMPENSATION FOR LOSS

The following regulations were made by the Governor in Council under section 2 of the Emergency Regulations Ordinance, 1922, Ordinance No. 5 of 1922, on June 13:

It shall be lawful for the Director of Public Works, or any person authorised by him, to take possession of, use and control, and to adapt, if necessary, any water boat or lighter, or any other vessel which he may think suitable for the purpose of conveying or storing water, and any launch or other steamship which he may require for towing any such water boat, lighter or other vessel.

If the Director of Public Works takes possession of any water boat, lighter or other vessel, or any launch or other steamship, under the powers conferred on him by Regulation 1 of these regulations, the owner of such water boat, lighter or other vessel, or of such launch or other steamship, shall be entitled to be paid a reasonable amount by way of hire in respect of each day during which the water boat, lighter or other vessel, or launch or other steamship, remains in the possession of the Director of Public Works, and shall be entitled to be paid a reasonable amount by way of compensation in respect of any loss or damage to the water boat, lighter or other vessel, or launch or other steamship, or any machinery, or any other property, or any source of water supply, and any land, reservoir, pipe, or other works, for such period, as he may think fit, held or used for or in connection with such source of water supply.

If the Director of Public Works exercises any of the powers conferred on him by Regulation 3 of these regulations, any person who thereby incurs any direct loss by reason of interference with his property or business shall be entitled to reasonable compensation in respect of such loss, such compensation to be determined in case of disagreement by the tribunal referred to in Regulation 5 of these regulations.

It shall also be lawful for the Director of Public Works, or any person authorised by him to take possession of, and to use and control, any source of water supply, and any land, reservoir, pipe, or other works, for such period, as he may think fit, held or used for or in connection with such source of water supply.

If the Director of Public Works exercises any of the powers conferred on him by Regulation 3 of these regulations, any person who thereby incurs any direct loss by reason of interference with his property or business shall be entitled to reasonable compensation in respect of such loss, such compensation to be determined in case of disagreement by the tribunal referred to in Regulation 5 of these regulations.

The tribunal referred to in Regulations 2 and 4 of these regulations shall consist of one of the Judges of the Supreme Court as the said Judges may mutually agree, and two assessors, one appointed by the Governor and one appointed by the claimant to his or her compensation. The said assessors shall assist the said Judge with information and advice as he may require, but the decision of any claim shall rest solely and finally with the said Judge.

May Rainfall
 The rainfall for the month of May at the Botanical Gardens was 7 inches on 12 days, at the Matilda Hospital, Munt Kow, it was 5.48 on 10 days, at the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, Kowloon, it was 3.53 on eight days, and at the Police Station, Taiipo, it was 3.91 on 12 days.

RAIN-MAKING EXPERIMENT

R.A.F. To Help

It is understood that at least two aeroplanes from the Kai Tak Aerodrome, in collaboration with the Royal Observatory and the Royal Naval Yard, will in a few days make an experiment in order to endeavour to precipitate a rainfall. The aeroplanes will ascend the clouds and should any of a rainladen nature appear over the island, the airmen will sprinkle the clouds liberally with pulverised keolin. Keolin, it is said, has a strong refrigerating effect.

The idea has been cordially supported alike by the Government, the Air Forces and the Naval Authorities. At the Naval Dockyard are now being made special containers for the keolin, which is, of course, common clay used in the manufacture of porcelain.

A technical description of the operation to be pursued may not convey much to the lay mind. It can be said, however, that the connection currents in the air over the island are not conducive to rain. If it is possible, the aeroplanes, in their flight, will discharge the keolin from the containers and thus induce the connection currents and so induce rain.

Some doubt is said to exist at present in regard to the quantities of keolin necessary to give the experiment a fair trial, but some light may be thrown on this as the result of the earlier tests.

Tanker Chartered
 The first tanker chartered by the Government for the purpose of bringing in water to the Colony is the "Fu Kwang," a 1,400-ton vessel belonging to the Asiatic Petroleum Co. At present the tanker is in

ATLANTIC CROSSED

"YELLOW BIRD" SAFE, WITH STOWAWAY

RAN OUT OF FUEL!

Starting from Old Orchard, Maine, the aeroplane "Yellow Bird," of which the pilot is Jean Assollant, has flown the Atlantic Ocean from west to east.

London, Yesterday.
 The Cunard liner "Laconia" wireless at 12 noon:—"Lat. 48.55 N. Long. 24.30 W.—Hear 'Yellow Bird' working. The steamer 'Magara,' in Lat. 41.14 N., Long. 22.10 W., reports 'all well'."

The wireless added that a strong southerly wind was blowing and that it was raining.—Reuter.

Heavy Consumption
 Portland, Yesterday.
 The French liner "Rochambeau" received a wireless at 2 a.m. from the "Yellow Bird" stating that owing to the heavy consumption of fuel the fliers had changed the course and were then heading for

WEEKLY CARTOON

The "China Mail's" weekly cartoon, published every Saturday, drawn by Stan Hill, will be found on page 7 of this issue, in the pioneer art supplement of the Colony.

The Azores on the Portuguese coast.—Reuter's American Service.

Sighted
 New York, Yesterday.
 At 2.45 p.m. the "Yellow Bird" was reported to be 200 miles from Portland where the fliers intend to land to refuel.—Reuter's American Service.

Bordeaux, Yesterday.
 The "Yellow Bird" has been sighted off the coast of Portugal.—And Lands

Santander, Yesterday.
 The "Yellow Bird" landed on the beach near Camillas. The fuel was practically exhausted.
 There was a stayaway on board.

Later.
 The "Yellow Bird" had run out of fuel and the radiator was practically dry when the plane landed. After refuelling, the plane will start early in the morning across the Bay of Biscay to Paris.

The stayaway is believed to be a boy, Arthur Schreiber of Portland, Maine, whose mother, after the start, told a newspaperman that he had announced his intention of hiding in the plane.—Reuter.

Another Flight
 Reykjavik, Yesterday.
 The Sverige flight has been postponed until spare parts or a new engine is available.—Reuter.

LAST SEAT

CONSERVATIVE ELECTED FOR RUGBY

FINAL STATE OF COMMONS

London, Yesterday.
 The election at Rugby, postponed on account of the death of the Labour candidate Mr. H. Yates, resulted:—
 Captain D. Margesson (Conservative) 15,147
 Morgan (Labour) 11,588
 Bernays (Liberal) 10,158

This election completes the membership of the House of Commons and the final state of the parties is:—

Party	Members
Labour	239
Conservatives	260
Liberals	58
Independents	8
Total	615

(* Including Mr. Jowitt, who deserted the Liberals after the General Election to become Attorney-General in the Labour Cabinet.)

Chief Whip
 Mr. Tom Kennedy has been appointed Chief Government Whip.—Reuter.

Shanghai and as soon as the necessary papers are signed, she will come to Hong Kong. She will be used for the transport of water from Wangmoo, and such water will be stored in the tanks on the water front.

The P. & O.
 While the P. & O. will co-operate with the Government as much as is possible, it is feared that much help cannot be expected. The B.I. boats operated by this company carry over 2,000 passengers each and the tanks are so designed that the water they carry is sufficient only for the ships' use from point to point.

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ANGLO-SCOT IN GOLF FINAL

A UNIQUE FEAT

JACK SMITH BEATS AMERICAN CONTENDER

TOLEY'S UPS AND DOWNS

London, Yesterday.
 Cyril J. H. Tolley, a former holder of the title and one of this year's favourites in the competition, is in the final of the British amateur golf championship at Sandwich. His opponent will be Jack Smith, a Scottish carpenter (of Earl's Ferry), who performed the unparalleled feat in a championship of winning in the semi-final round after his opponent, Dawson, had been dromy three.

In any event, an Anglo-Scottish final is assured, thus adding international interest to the struggle.

Half a Gale
 The semi-final resulted:—
 C. J. H. Tolley (Liverpool) beat Rex W. Hartley (Sunningdale) one up.

Jack Smith (Earl's Ferry) beat John Dawson (U.S.A.) at the 19th hole.

Rain fell heavily and the wind was blowing half a gale when Smith and Dawson played, the latter being one of the favourites for the championship. Dawson was unperturbed but became rattled by a slack drive at the 16th hole. Smith won the 16th, 17th and 18th holes to become all square and then made a glorious drive and a perfect second shot at the 19th hole.

Fatal Hole
 Dawson's third shot took his ball to a yard from the pin and Smith's third was two feet away. The American's ball hit the hole with the fourth stroke but jumped out again. Smith's fourth stroke sank down—for victory.

Tolley turned all square against Hartley, whom he could not shake off. Eventually Tolley became dromy one at the 18th, which was halved, giving him the victory.

The sixth round, played in the morning, resulted:—
 Tolley beat Major Keith Thorburn (R. & A.) 1 up.
 Dawson beat A. J. Evans (Kent) 6 and 5.
 Smith beat the Hon. Michael Scott (Royal St. George's) 2 and 1.
 Hartley beat E. Tippet (Langley Park) 5 and 3.

Thorburn Plays Well
 The sixth round matches Smith v. Scott and Hartley v. Tippet have been described in earlier cables. Further details follow:—
 Thorburn's little chipshots were a feature of the early holes against Tolley. Thorburn won the 3rd. Tolley, although in the

OFFICIAL DENIAL

No Russian Invasion of Mongolia

Moscow, Yesterday.
 An official news agency categorically denies the report (emanating from a "White Russian source in Harbin") of a Soviet invasion of Mongolia.

—Reuter.
 [Earlier news on page 11.]

rough from the tee, squared at the 6th hole through Thorburn missing a short putt. The 7th and 8th were halved. Then Tolley won the next hole, Thorburn being bunkered for the first time. 3oth did the nine holes out in 35.

In the Canal
 By winning the 10th, Thorburn became all square again. Thorburn then claimed the 11th becoming 1 up. The 12th and 13th were halved. Thorburn became 2 up by winning the long 14th where Tolley played into the canal.

Through Thorburn missing his approach at the 15th, Tolley took this hole to become 1 down. Then Thorburn played the short 16th so badly that Tolley won in 4 strokes to 5—to become all square once more. Winning the 17th as well, Tolley became dromy one. Although he got out well and Thorburn missed a two yards' putt needed to win the hole in an endeavour to save the match, Tolley therefore finishing 1 up.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR
 The closing rate of the dollar on demand, 10-day was 1/10 15/16.

CHURCHILL TALKS

WANTS TO KNOW POLICY OF GOVERNMENT

BRITAIN, U.S.A. & NAVIES

London, Yesterday.
 Mr. Winston Churchill, speaking at Chingford, referred to the "tremendous and irrevocable decision" of the Washington conference whereby Britain accepted the new principle that Britain and the United States of America should be equal as Sea Powers, but emphasised, two conditions are implied.

These are, firstly, special regard should be had of the very different circumstances between this crowded island, which can be starved in a few weeks and the great continent in which the people of the U.S.A. dwell so safely and prosperously.

Guise of Equality
 Mr. Churchill expressed the opinion that if a mere numerical measure—that the two fleets be each a replica of the other—be the rule, then that would not be equality; but, would have absolute final inferiority.

LOCAL SHOWERS?
 This morning's weather report issued by the Royal Observatory states:—
 An anti-cyclone is situated in the Pacific to the East of Japan and pressure is low over China and South Manchuria.

Local forecast:—South-West winds, moderate; fair generally; local showers.

under the guise of equality, Britain is; and he would resist such a result.

The second condition of any Anglo-American agreement, Mr. Churchill continued, must be based on a tolerant good-hearted spirit towards naval affairs on both sides of the Atlantic.

Better Have None!
 "If naval equality is to lead to jealous and suspicious scrutiny of every ship, gun, and armour-plate between the two navies, it was much better to have no agreement," said Mr. Churchill, who added the opinion that since Mr. Hoover became President, the policy of the United States was more sympathetic towards Britain, and Europe generally.

"Friendship and mutual trust among the English-speaking peoples remain the supreme object of world politics," Mr. Churchill declared, and he awaited from the British Government a very early declaration of the steps it proposed to take in that connection.—Reuter.

REASON FOR PEACE

WHY CHRISTIAN GENERAL IS NOT ATTACKED

YEN HSILSHAN STANDS FIRM

Hankow, To-day.
 Tien Lien-chung (who is a representative of General Han Fu-chi, who officially betrayed his chief, the "Christian General" and was then suspected of not being "sincere" in his treachery) has arrived here, apparently, from the North.

In an interview with the local authorities (who, of course, are staunchly pro-Government), he confirms that Han Fu-chi's troops are mostly concentrated around Chengchow.

Tien Lien-chung also reported that the Peking-Hankow Railway has been almost completely repaired, with the exception of the bridge over the Yellow River, which is badly damaged.

Trains are now running from Hankow as far as Chengchow.

Why the Delay
 It is believed that the desire of General Yen Hsi-shan of Shansi for peace is the main reason for the Government's delay in attacking Feng Yuxiang (the "Christian General"). It is stated that Yen Hsi-shan remains firm in the conviction that fighting must not be resorted to and that he is steadfast in his former recommendations that the situation should be settled by peaceful, political means.—Reuter.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
 The Kuo Min news agency has a message from Chengchow which reports that the vanguards of Han Fu-chi's forces occupied Loyang on June 11.—Reuter.

RAIN SPOILS COUNTY CRICKET

BOWLERS' HARVEST

ONLY THREE CENTURIONS IN EIGHT GAMES

TWO OUTRIGHT VICTORIES

Rain interrupted the first-class cricket programme nearly everywhere at Home yesterday, states Reuter. The net result was that out of eight matches concluded only two ended in downright victories. Also, bowlers appear to have derived assistance from the condition of the wicket for, whereas a dozen of them did well, only three centuries were scored. The disparity in the length of the lists is obvious.

Results at a Glance
 Middlesex beat Hampshire.
 Kent beat Leicestershire.
 Yorkshire led Northants on the 1st innings.
 Sussex led Essex on the 1st innings.
 Worcestershire drew with Notts.
 Gloucestershire drew with Cambridge University.
 Oxford University drew with Lancashire.
 Minor Counties drew with South Africans.

Three Centurions
 Gunn (Notts) 164*
 Holmes (Yorkshire) 110*
 Bowley (Sussex) 100
 *denotes not out.

Bowling Feats
 Goddard (Gloucester) 9 for 21
 Barnes (Staffs, for Minor Counties) 8 for 41
 Geary (Leicestershire) 7 for 56
 Nichols (Essex) 6 for 34
 H. G. Owen-Smith (South Africans) 6 for 38
 Dennis (Yorkshire) 6 for 42
 Kennedy (Hampshire) 6 for 61
 Staples, A. (Notts) 5 for 9
 Clark (Northants) 5 for 38
 Wright (Kent) 5 for 42
 Tyldesley, R. (Lancs.) 5 for 55
 R. W. V. Hobbs (Middlesex) 5 for 44

Middlesex v. Hants
 At Lord's, Middlesex defeated Hampshire by six wickets.
 Scores:—
 Hants 154 runs and 165 runs (Robins 5 for 84).
 Middlesex 129 (Kennedy 6 for 61) and 192 for 4 wickets.
 Robins, the Cambridge Blue, is probably taking the place of Freeman (as the slow bowler in the side) in the England XI, to meet the South Africans in the First Test to-day. His inclusion should strengthen the English batting and fielding.

Kent v. Leicestershire
 At Tunbridge Wells, Kent defeated Leicestershire by 81 runs.
 Scores:—
 Kent 157 runs (Geary 7 for 56) and 220 runs.
 Leicestershire 114 (Wright 5 for 42) and 182 runs.

Yorkshire v. Northants
 At Bradford, Yorkshire took first innings points from Northamptonshire. Scores:—
 Yorkshire 219 runs (Holmes 110 not out; Clark 5 for 38) and 63 runs for 4 wickets, declared.
 Northants 102 runs (Dennis 6 for 42) and 57 runs for 1 wicket.

Sussex v. Essex
 At Hove, Sussex took points from Essex for a lead on the first innings. Scores:—
 Sussex 248 runs (Bowley 100) and 106 runs (Nichols 6 for 34).
 Essex 194 runs and 53 runs for 2 wickets.

Worcester v. Notts
 At Worcester, Worcestershire drew with Notts, each side taking 4 points because no decision on even the first innings was reached. Scores:—
 Notts 350 runs for 4 wickets, declared (Gunn 164 not out).
 Worcester 44 runs for 7 wickets (Staples, A. 5 for 9).

Gloucester v. Canbats
 At Cheltenham, Gloucestershire drew with Cambridge University. Scores:—
 Cambridge 82 runs (Goddard 9 for 21) and 135 runs for 8 wickets.
 Gloucester 220 runs for 3 wickets, declared.

Oxonians v. Lancashire
 At Oxford, the University drew with Lancashire. Scores:—
 Oxford 160 runs (Tyldesley, R. 5 for 55) and 189 runs for 6 wickets.
 Lancashire 218 runs.

Minor Counties v. Tourists
 At Stoke, the Minor Counties

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse

Pedestrians in the vicinity of the street hydrants have to watch their peace and queues.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald sent a cabled greeting to the overseas Prime Ministers, but they returned the compliment.—Receiver to pay?

Someone advertises for premises with "grand outlook toward Public Gardens."—An eye on the dandelions probably.

'Tis said that if a few guns were fired in the air the rain would come down.—Some of the taipans have volunteered to make martyrs of themselves in the common cause.

Some of these public motor car contortionists at the corner of Ice House Street and Chater Road ought to join the Great Chinese Circus.—Many a poor pedestrian could then look forward to a longer lease of life.

Trade note: Beads are a drug in the market—beads of perspiration.

An Indian constable was told in Court the other day that "was very wrong indeed to kick the bucket!"

Some of these critics of the water schemes ought to find an early watery grave.

'Tis no recommendation nowadays to go on the water wagon.

If hot air were only like clouds the rain would certainly be along very soon.

"Dogged does it" as the Kowloon constable said when he seized a pup three-quarters of an hour after its master had applied for a licence.

"Changing England" says a headline in a paper.—There is never, of course, any "change" north of the Tweed.

A dairymaid was convicted of having milk adulterated with water.—Somebody must have had more than their fair share of water that day.

Swedes should be a popular dish to-morrow—the King of Sweden's birthday.

Those who rearranged the bus routes at the Kowloon side of the Star Ferry must have had experience in putting up sheep pens at cattle shows.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. William James Carrie resumed duty as Head of the Sanitary Department and Registrar of Births and Deaths on June 8.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed, provisionally and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, the Hon. Mr. Benjamin David Fleming Beith to be an Unofficial member of the Executive Council during the absence from the Colony of the Honourable Sir Henry Edward Pollock, Kt., K.C., with effect from June 13.

His Excellency the Governor has nominated the following as members of the Court of the University of Hong Kong for a period of three years, with effect from June 12: Messrs. John Hargreaves Little and Thomas Ernest Pearce.

FERRY BUMPS JUNK

Mild excitement was created last evening about 7.30 o'clock when the Star ferry launch, "Golden Star," collided with a junk as she was leaving the wharf at Hong Kong.

The junk's crew evidently thought that they would have time to cross the bow of the ferry, but apparently the latter had made a little more headway than expected and she struck the starboard side of the junk. Little damage was sustained by the latter craft.

drew with the South Africans. Scores:—
 Minor Counties 201 runs (Owen-Smith 6 for 38) and 183 runs for 6 wickets, declared.
 South Africans 139 (Barnes 8 for 41) and 40 runs for 1 wicket.—Reuter.

A Kowloon boy went to school half an hour late the other day, and when asked why, he answered: "I was trying to count how many buckets and tins there were in a queue!"

A drop of water is as precious as gold from a silver tap!

The first master mariner who sights a typhoon is asked to grab its tail and bring it right into the Colony!

In view of the fact that the Clerk of the Weather has failed, we are, perforce, compelled to ask the A.D.C. to produce "Rain."

According to a Professor of the University, Hong Kong is to receive only 40 inches of rain this year.—"Don't waste water!"

Aunt Maria says the sting of a bee is a sure cure for rheumatism.—Also for inertia, auntie.

The unfailing seashell cure for a Scotsman is to give him a dollar piece to hold between his teeth.

The Talking Movie Company now located at Taiipo has the following programme by Screen Stars almost ready for production:—
 "Female Anopheles" will cut off her cunk, put her rompers in cold storage and become an adult star.
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H. S. ROUSE,

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	Sunrise.	Sunset.
	a.m.	p.m.
June 15	5.38	7.08
16	5.38	7.09
17	5.38	7.09
18	5.38	7.09
19	5.39	7.10
20	5.39	7.10
21	5.39	7.10
22	5.39	7.10
23	5.40	7.10
24	5.40	7.10
25	5.40	7.11
26	5.40	7.11
27	5.40	7.11
28	5.41	7.11
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DRAGON BOAT DAY

COLOURFUL SPECTACLE IN CANTON

CHINESE HENLEY NOTES

[From Our Canton Correspondent.] Clear, bright weather, for a change, reigned on the day of the Dragon Boat Festival, which was made a general holiday by both the Chinese and foreign hongs and banks.

There was a great gathering off Lhatso Island (Tungshan), thousands turning up in sampans of every make and description, and in motor-boats and launches.

The majority of the boats were tied together to form a lane a hundred yards wide, up which clear stretch the dragon boats paraded and raced. Thousands more crowded both banks of the river, especially the Tungshan side, where are the bathing clubs of the well-to-do Chinese and of the Chinese schools.

Difference in Noise

The scene was reminiscent of Henley—an exotic, Eastern variety of Henley—and there was the same hilarious, holiday spirit and animated kaleidoscope of colour. The noise of drums, tom-toms, and fire-crackers was terrific and could be heard miles away, this being the only note that differed a great deal from our event in England.

Behind the lines of moored sampans the hawkers piled a brisk trade in coloured drinks and ice-cream and a host of little boats shot in and out manned by youngsters from among the boating people, who were thoroughly enjoying their respite from the year's steady toil, and were a nuisance to everyone but themselves.

Showing Off

The dragon boats this year were not so well decorated as in years gone by, the result probably of the chaotic conditions and commercial depression in Kwangtung the past months. Nevertheless they were brilliant and gaudy enough to satisfy the most exacting of any new arrivals in Eastern climes bitten with the taste for things picturesque.

Up and down the stretch of water the dragon boats paraded and raced, showing off their finery with thorough self-satisfaction, to the immense entertainment of the throng of spectators.

Distinguished Spectators

Among the spectators were to be recognised numerous officials, generals and important merchants, most of whom were comfortably ensconced in the matched club-houses. Admiral Chan Chak was present with his family, as also the Governor of Kwangtung and the Mayor of Canton. There were a great many of the foreign residents present in motor-boats, the Canton Amateur Photographic Society, of which Mr. Henri (Commissioner of Post) is President, having turned out in full force.

CHURCH NOTICES

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June 16, 3rd Sunday after Trinity.

Holy Communion, 8 a.m.

Children's Service, 10 a.m.

Peak Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Matins, 11 a.m.

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Evening, 6 p.m.

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HUSBAND IN PRISON

An amazing increase during the past eight years in the earnings of Davis & Geck, Inc., manufacturers of surgical sutures, of 217 Duffield Street, Brooklyn, was described in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn by counsel for Mrs. Charles T. Davis, in a proceeding brought by her husband to refrain her from selling the business while he is in prison. Justice May reserved decision on the application. During the eight years that have elapsed since Charles T. Davis killed Police Detective Joseph Bridgetts and turned over to his wife the management of his business, the earnings have been increased 1,100 per cent, the court was told. Last year alone, according to counsel for Mrs. Davis, the earnings amounted to \$300,000, and this year an offer of \$1,800,000 was made for the purchase of the business.

Davis will be eligible for parole from Clinton Prison at Dannemora, N. Y., in August. On Feb. 17,

PLEASE DON'T WASTE WATER

1921, Detective Bridgetts and two companions went to Davis's office to question him about an alleged insurance fraud in connection with a stolen automobile. Davis fired a shot gun at the three detectives. Bridgetts was killed and the others were wounded. He was declared insane and sent to an asylum, but later was adjudged sane and stood trial for murder. He was convicted of first degree manslaughter and sentenced to serve from ten to twenty years.

A Divorce Claim

Former Justice Charles H. Kelby, counsel for Davis, told in court how Davis transferred his business and other property to his wife, and settled with the families of the men he shot. The attorney read several letters from Mrs. Davis to her husband in which she indicated her desire to relinquish the management of the business when her husband might be released. In addition to these letters, which he said were written between 1923 and 1927, he declared Mrs. Davis submitted to her husband daily and monthly reports. In one of her letters, he said, she told Davis about a new expert she had employed, who was described as Cornelius H. Cuszwanski. She seemed very enthusiastic about him, according to the attorney, and later Davis heard rumours that he was negotiating for the sale of the business. He described how her husband had detectives shadow Mrs. Davis and Cuszwanski and was told that they were frequently seen together socially. Then last August, he asserted, she said she wanted a divorce.

Former Judge Edwin L. Garvin, counsel for Mrs. Davis, denied that she had demanded a divorce. He said that last summer Davis told her that when he was released they would have a companionate marriage with him living in the country "with my dogs and guns," while she ran the business along lines to be laid down by him. She told him she would rather have a divorce, the attorney said.

Asserting that he had never seen such an example of wifely devotion as Mrs. Davis showed to her husband, Mr. Garvin said that she had authorized him to say that she would even now "write the same sentiments as contained in the letters read by opposing counsel. He told of her early struggle to help her husband get the surgical sutures business started. He said that two years before the killing Davis gave her 51 shares of the 150 shares outstanding in appreciation, as she thought, of her help to him.

During the period she has controlled the business, the attorney declared, she has increased its assets 400 per cent and its earnings 1,100 per cent. She has made \$1,000,000 since he has been in prison. Mr. Garvin said, of which amount one-half was put back into the business and one-half devoted to herself and her two children.

Mr. Kelby interrupted the attorney to say that Davis had offered to create a trust fund of \$500,000 for her and to give her \$100,000 additional in cash.

"Mrs. Davis says," Mr. Garvin told the court, "that she thinks he has been very ill-advised, and she lays her case before the court confident her stewardship will not be found wanting."



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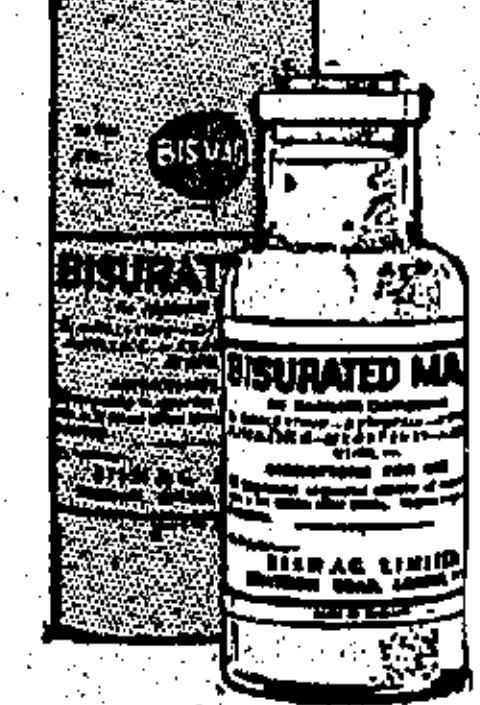
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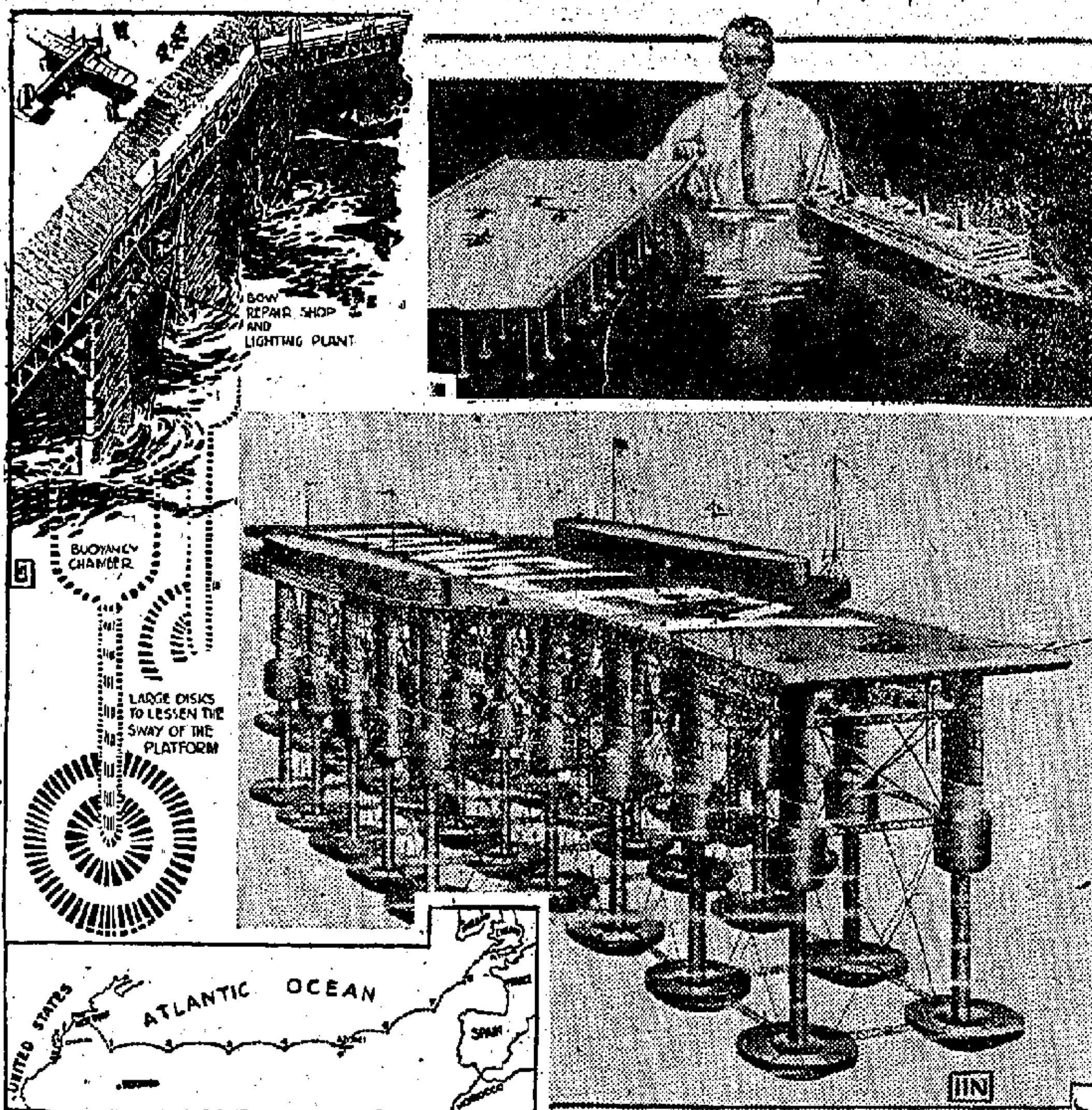
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Top, right, shows Edward R. Armstrong, inventor, with a model of the floating island compared to the size in proportion to the ocean liner "Majestic," while below is a photograph of a miniature model of the device showing the complicated structure which will keep it afloat. The detail drawing, left, shows one of the giant air chambers and the map shows where these floating islands will be located if the plan is carried out.

New Device Will Make Cross Ocean Service Safe for Passengers

OF one hundred and four "liner" steamships now engaged in trans-Atlantic service, ninety-three do not exceed the speed that was customary forty years ago. For a great majority of people, traveling between the United States and Europe, the twentieth century has brought no shortening of the time occupied by the voyage. The plan to operate a series of floating islands landing fields for planes will change all this.

By this time next year there will be a floating island anchored exactly half way between New York and Bermuda, and passenger-carrying planes in numbers will be using it as a stop-over station going in both directions.

It will be a three-hour trip from New York to the floating island, and another three hours to reach Bermuda, the midway stop being only long enough to allow for a meal at the "seadrome" hotel and refueling of the plane, with an inspection of the latter to make sure that there is nothing wrong with it.

The floating island, or seadrome, will provide a landing platform 400 feet long, 300 feet wide at the ends, and 400 feet wide in the middle. The greater breadth in the middle part is to give space for a

hotel on one side and a hangar for airplanes on the other.

Later, according to present plans, there are to be eight of these seadromes anchored at suitably spaced intervals along an airway from New York to Plymouth, England.

The first is now in process of construction in thirty feet of water, at Fishing Creek, in Delaware Bay, seven miles northwest of Cape May. When its parts have been assembled, it will be towed to its destined anchorage, 375 miles southeast of New York.

The route, as planned, will run southeast by east from New York to the latitude of Cape Charles, where it will turn due east to the Azores, and thence north and east to Plymouth.

It is mapped with reference to weather, following a line south of what mariners call the "cold-wall," so that there will be no chance for ice to form on the floating stations, or on planes flying at low levels.

No airway over land can be maintained without landing fields along the route. There can never be a transatlantic airway without floating islands of some kind to afford equivalent facilities. Flying the North Atlantic (on the route taken by Lindbergh, Chamberlain and Byrd) is a gamble with death.

The estimated cost of each seadrome is \$1,500,000, and the construction will go 10,000 tons of steel and iron. Underwater parts will be of iron because it is not affected by sea water.

Each floating island will be held in place by chains from two to four miles long attached to specially-designed sea-anchors. Its platform riding 100 feet above the surface of the water. Owing to the manner of

its anchorage, it will always turn its length in the direction of the wind, thus reducing to a minimum the resistance offered to wind and waves.

To operate each seadrome about 125 men will be required. Every luxury that could be had on board a palatial ocean steamship will be obtainable. It is part of the plan that all meals for passengers on the transatlantic air route shall be served at the seadromes, time for the purpose being available while the planes are being inspected and refueled. All operating materials and supplies, including food, will be delivered to the various seadromes by ships.

The supports of the steel platform will be provided with buoyancy chambers divided into watertight compartments, and will carry at their lower ends large disks which, opposing the upward movements of the water, will tend to lessen the sway of the platform. But the bulk of the supporting structure will be beneath the level of wave disturbance, for even in the biggest storm the ocean fifty feet below the surface is almost motionless.

If the plan for the utilization of seadromes in connection with airplanes for ocean travel is successful, a dream of aviation experts will be realized. To the average man the scheme may seem fantastic, yet anyone who has perused this article carefully will see that the builders of the seadrome have been most ingenious in providing ways of protecting it against the hazards of wind and weather. The plan will have value in bringing the two continents of Europe and America closer together.

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Captain C. E. Fisher, of the Kan-chow, has gone gaster, Tungchow.

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Mr. D. Smith has been appointed second officer, Tungchow.

Mr. R. J. Powrie, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Fatsahan.

Mr. D. C. Cameron, chief officer, Hsin Peking, has gone chief officer, Hupeh.

Mr. J. W. E. Warrier, from reserve, has gone second officer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. W. R. Kermode, chief officer, Ngankin, has gone chief officer, Sheng-king.

Mr. A. F. Macginnis, chief officer, Shengking, has gone chief officer, Ngankin.

Mr. E. Hardman, second officer Hsin Peking, has gone second officer, Suiyang.

Mr. S. de Candia, second officer, Kangking, has gone second officer, Ichang.

Mr. J. R. Gow, second officer, Ichang, is on reserve.

Mr. K. A. Peden, second officer, Changking, is on reserve.

Mr. A. Stephenson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Wanliu.

Mr. H. S. Beech, from reserve, has gone extra second engineer officer, Kwangtung.

Mr. S. T. Graham, from home, has gone extra third engineer officer, Kwangtung.

Mr. J. E. Key, third engineer officer, Kwangtung, has gone extra third engineer officer, Kwangtung.

Mr. W. S. Fraser, from home, has gone extra second engineer officer, Suiyang.

Mr. W. D. Gardner, third engineer officer, Suiyang, has gone third engineer officer, Chinghai.

Mr. A. Baggett, third engineer officer, Chingking, has gone second engineer officer, Ichang.

Mr. E. L. Angelow, second engineer officer, Ichang, has gone second engineer officer, Taining.

Mr. T. L. Mitchell, second engineer officer, Taining, has gone second engineer officer, Wuchang.

Mr. C. J. Baker, second officer, Kwangtung, has gone second officer, Suiyang.

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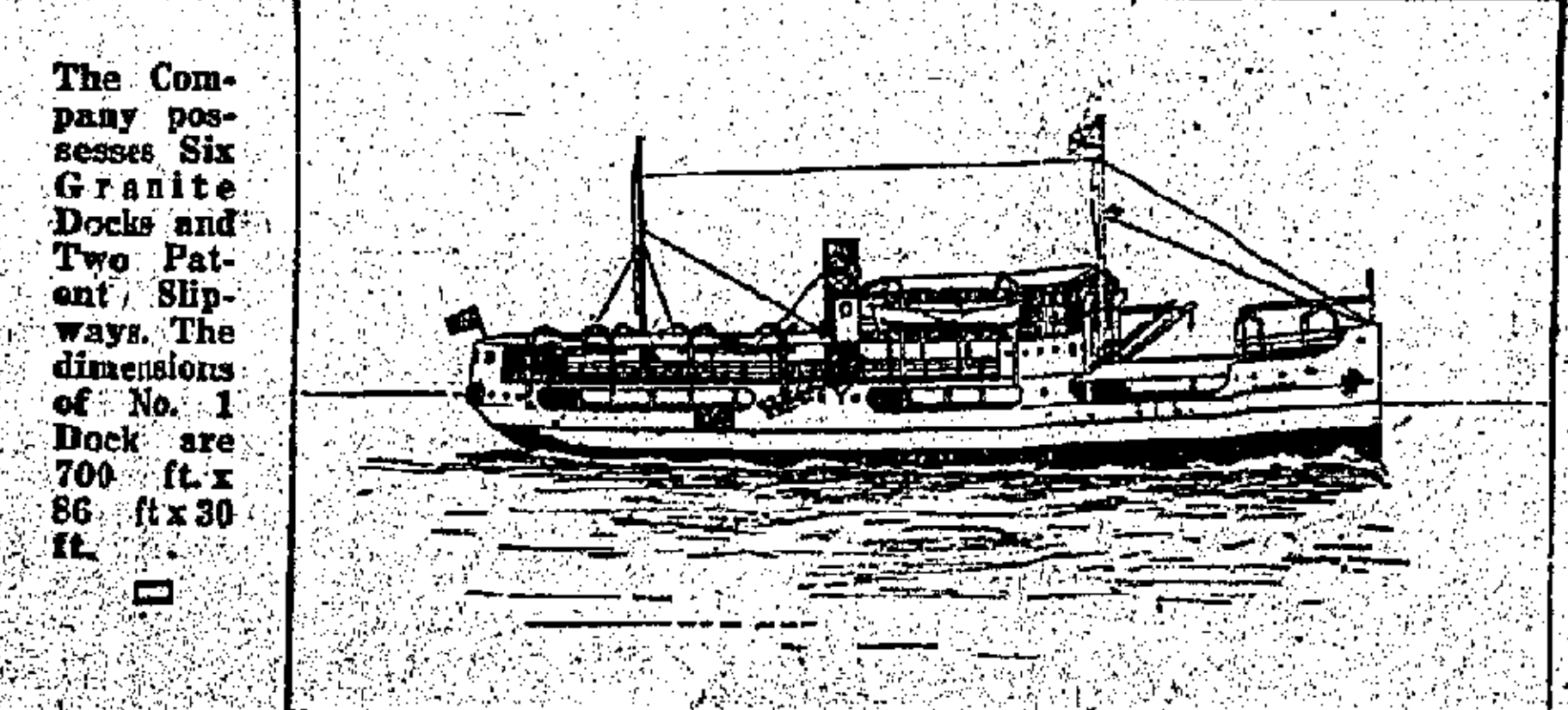
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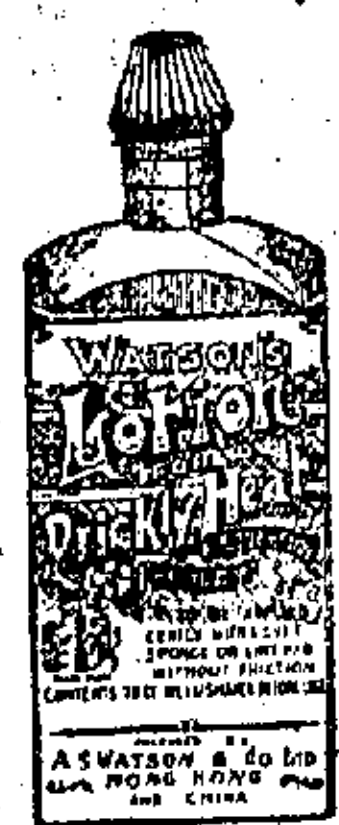


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STILL WATERS

Much has been said for and against well water during the week. Mr. Wong Kwong-tin's motion at the Sanitary Board meeting was defeated. Since then, however, the Government has announced the opening of more wells to augment the Colony's water supply.

In this Colony, as well as in other modern cities, we are asked to be careful as to what we eat and what we drink. The Medical Officer of Health would even go so far as to put his foot down as to what we must not eat or drink, lest typhoid, cholera, dysentery, and other equally deadly diseases assail us. It was on this score that the utilisation of well water was tabooed by the Sanitary Board. But the experience in the heart of China has been advanced by a correspondent to show that all the best theories that medical science has put forward as the possible cause of such diseases do not seem to hold much water where the Chinese are concerned. It is seriously asserted that the Chinese are immune from these diseases; that what would affect foreigners easily would lose their potency where the Chinese are concerned. Day in and day out Chinese are to be seen eating things which would at once give foreigners dysentery, cholera, typhoid, and other sickness. Even in Hong Kong the Chinese have a partiality for black rice jelly, which is being sold quite openly in the streets with

a flock of flies sitting on it. Nothing appears to happen to the Chinese who, flies or no flies, eat this black jelly with a relish. Then there is the water melon, quite unknown to a potash bath, and yet seemingly it does not harm the Chinese in any way.

In Tientsin at the present time, the majority of the population have nothing but the water from the Huangpu for their daily use. A few years ago, before the water-works were built, even Europeans had to drink the same water. The water was brought to the house by a coolie every morning. The water-carriers would go to a pier, where other coolies would be dumping refuse, sewage, etc., into the river, and, standing on the same pier, the water carriers would haul up buckets of water to supply to their clients. Europeans as well as Chinese knew perfectly well where their water came from, and all they could do was to put a few ounces of alum into the water to separate the mud and dirt, and then their water was ready for use. An epidemic of disease, which is feared in Hong Kong, did not visit Tientsin in spite of the fact that the water they had for their use was most unwholesome.

In Kalgan, which is inland and is the mouth to the Gobi Desert, even to this day, Europeans and Chinese as well have nothing but well water for their daily use. It cannot be argued that this city is healthier than Hong Kong, because the only doctor is a Danish missionary. Sanitation, as foreigners understand it, is unheard of, and in spite of that the community is thriving. The staff of the British American Tobacco Co., the Standard Oil Co., and German firms all exist on the same brackish well water which the Chinese use. There are a few European ladies and their children there, and yet not a word of complaint has been heard. The same condition is still to be found in Nanking, Chinkiang, Soochow and other cities in China. How these persons escaped the ravages of impure water appear to lie in the secret, which is no secret after all, that they all boiled their water before using. Boiling, we have been taught from our school days, kills all germs. Therefore, we are told by the "open the wells" advocates, we in Hong Kong need not fear that with the opening of wells, we will

be stricken down with the diseases mentioned by Dr. Fawcett at the Sanitary Board meeting. There is likewise, we are further told, no fear of the Chinese ever drinking raw water, for what cast-iron system they may have in combating the diseases carried by impure water, they are very susceptible to "tummy ache" and the root of this complaint, they say, lies in drinking raw water. And that is probably the reason why tea is such a favourite beverage, almost a national one in China. All the same, with the opening up of wells, more attention than hitherto will be paid to the daily and weekly returns of notifiable diseases issued by the M.O.H.

A suggestion that A Novel may prove of interest to the public and more especially to the Water Supply Committee, has been put forward by a resident of Kowloon. He suggests that every flat and house should be fitted with a tank, capable of storing sufficient water for the day's supply. Each of these tanks should be of the same holding capacity. This is important, because if all are uniform in size, then at a fixed hour in the day, the Government mains may be turned on, and so supply the tanks. The exact number of gallons each is to hold being the same, it can then be calculated how long it will take to fill the tanks up, after which the mains are closed again. The advantages of this system are obvious, the Water authorities will then be able to hold a greater amount of water in check than they are now able to do. Also the precise consumption of the population may be ascertained to the correct decimal. Because of the knowledge that they have only such-and-such amount of water, people will be more careful with the fluid (more so than they are now), and especially will this apply to the ordinary working-class Chinese who, it seems, are not able to realise that an acute drought is hanging over the heads of all in Hong Kong and the Mainland. In spite of the measures now in force, a terrible amount of wanton waste still prevails which even drastic restrictions will not stop. The above suggestion may be worthy of thought. Like most other ideas it may have its advantages and its disadvantages. But it may on examination appear that the former outdoes the latter in many ways that should prove of help in coping with the alarming situation now prevailing.

Nocturnal Cyclists

It will be remembered that not long ago it was rumoured that cyclists would have to obtain a licence for the privilege to ride their bicycles—exactly the same as the regulation at present in force with regard to motor vehicles. This move, originated by the Police, was the result of numerous complaints received from drivers of motor cars, who said that the cyclists were driving their two-wheeled "steeds" in a manner that was a danger to all and sundry. Cyclists make it a frequent practice to hire bikes for half an hour or so, and this manner of passing time has become more and more popular, until to-day the numbers of those reckless drivers have greatly increased and the motoring section increased. The Government, however, did not sanction the idea originally suggested by the Police and to this day nothing whatever hinders the Chinese from hiring a bicycle, whether he is competent at the wheel or otherwise. Some may not favour the scheme of the Police, but we think that some step must be taken to check the overwhelming numbers of cyclists who ride a machine on hire.

Owner Ridden Bicycles

Owner ridden cycles are not to blame but are they to be placed on the same plane as the offending hire bikes? The idea we suggest is that a special small fee should be paid by the cyclist who enjoys fine sport on the hire system. But even this is vague and unreliable. The whole problem is one of extreme difficulty. It has been recently brought to the attention of the Police that the cyclists in question favour the tandem bike on which two can ride. The one at the front of the machine is the rider responsible for its safe steering. These cyclists frequent the road when most of the other population are retired for the night, and in many cases they are to be seen riding about the town as late (or rather as early) as 2 a.m. This is because the roads at that time are in most cases empty and, therefore, present a splendid riding track for the stunt riders.

It therefore, can be seen that a Regular Nuisance is none too easy to tackle. One way should presumably be to discourage late-hour riding. The Police should frequently bring the offenders before the Magistrate, because they are a great nuisance, especially when they become excited in the midst of a thrilling race past one's door, exchanging shouts of encouragement at each other! During the week one delinquent was taken to his home under guard to find bail money; but his father considered that a night in the lock-up would do him good. So he was marched back to the Police station, where he spent the night. That may be one way of ridding Nathan Road of a perpetual nocturnal nuisance!

Lady Clementi is due to arrive in Hong Kong by the "Empress of Russia" on Monday next. The hour of arrival of the steamer is not yet known, but will probably be about 3 p.m. After disembarking Lady Clementi will cross to Statue Pier by launch, and thence proceed direct to Mountain Lodge. She will be glad to meet at Statue Pier any friends who wish to welcome her.

PLEASE DON'T WASTE WATER

It is notified that the name of the Leyseco China Co., Ltd. has been struck off the register of companies.

Five pages of the "Government Gazette" are occupied with a revised list of parcel post rates to foreign countries.

The proceeds of the concert given last Saturday evening at St. Stephen's Girls' College, in aid of the Chinese Mission to Lepers, realised \$440.

An unknown Chinese, aged about 30 years, was yesterday afternoon found hanging from a tree on Pokfulam-road, near the University Recreation ground. The Police removed the body to the public mortuary.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the following Ordinance:—Ordinance No. 1 of 1929.—An Ordinance to amend the Supreme Court Ordinance, 1873.

Letters of administration have been granted to the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton in respect of the personal estate of Mr. Richard Howard Mortimore, of Brick House, Cullington, Devon, who died on January 7, 1928. The estate is valued at \$28,400.

According to a report made to the Police yesterday by Fung Fuk-kwai, a watchmaker of No. 121, Hollywood-road, his partner, named Leung Fung, is alleged to have absconded early yesterday morning, taking with him jewellery worth \$55, the property of the shop.

A Portuguese named Jesus, living at No. 2, Sharp-street, Wanchai, was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries received through being knocked down in Wanchai-road by a bus. His injuries were not serious and he was discharged from hospital shortly after.

A Sanitary Department coolie was drowned in the harbour yesterday. He was leaning over the side of the lighter to draw water to clean the rubbish tip at the end of Pitt-street, Yau-mat, when he slipped and fell overboard between the craft and the sea wall. The body was recovered later.

The Governor in Council has ordered and directed that the provisions of Part VI of the Probates Ordinance, 1897, relating to Colonial Possessions of Ceylon in addition to the British Possessions mentioned in the list set forth on pages 175 and 176 of the Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925.

The Sikh community of Hong Kong started the uninterrupted recital of their Holy Scripture (La Akhand Path) at the Sikh Temple from noon yesterday which will be completed to-morrow when prayers for the relief of the people of this Colony from the water shortage as well as for thanksgiving day will be made. The members of the community as well as those who understand the verses of the Holy Scripture—Guru Granth Sahib—are cordially invited to join and attend the service.

PRAPS— PRAPS NOT!

An Aberdeen landlady has exhibited in her window a card bearing the confession—
"Lodgers taken in!"

A Scotsman and an Irishman, returning from a football match, managed to get into a carriage about two minutes before the time of departure.

Suddenly they discovered they had lost their return tickets, and Angus, the Scotsman, said to Murphy: "Quick, hurry and get single tickets."

The other went out of the compartment, but returned in less than a minute.

"My word, you've been quick," said his friend.

"Yes," replied Murphy. "I went into the next compartment and shouted: 'Tickets, please, and I've collected a handful.'"

"How did you enjoy the night last night?"

"It was wonderful. We were burned twice, and the place was burned down just as we were leaving."

Orderly Sergeant (at dinner-time): "Any complaints?"

Private Murphy: "The soup's funny, sergeant."

Orderly Sergeant: "Then why on earth don't you laugh, man!"

A notice posted outside a church in a country town:—
"To-morrow we shall hear the vicar's farewell sermon. Let us gather in very large numbers to show our appreciation."

"Jimmy and Jane were quarrelling over who should have the biggest half of the cake," said Johnnie.

"But I soon settled it."

"That's a good boy!" said mother, "Whose part did you take?"

"I took both their parts!"

Grocer: "How about that bill for the groceries, sir?"

Mr. Hardup: "I sent my wife over with the money."

Grocer: "She never came here, sir."

Mr. Hardup: "Well, that's your fault for having your shop next to a milliner's."

Owing to the absence through illness of the woman who taught the senior girls' Bible class, the young assistant minister was asked to undertake the duties for the day. He consented, but before beginning he said, smilingly, "Now, girls, I want to conduct your class just as your teacher does, so you might tell me what she does first."

A short pause, then the answer from a pert miss of 16: "Well, she always kisses us all round!"

Percy's mother was getting him ready for school. Suddenly she noticed a bruise on his head.

"Percy," she said, "you've been fighting again!"

"Not," said Percy. "I wasn't fighting at all. That was an oversight."

"Yes," he replied. "I was sitting on that little ass, Tanner, yesterday, and I forgot to hold his feet."

A man walked into the shop and asked for a pair of boots. The assistant, a youth of fourteen, showed him a suitable pair, the price being 16/6.

The customer stated that he had only 12/6 with him, and inquired if he could pay that and bring the balance next day. He was told that he could do so.

After the customer had left, the proprietor reprimanded the assistant for allowing the man to take the boots, saying they would never see him again.

"Oh, but we shall," replied the youth. "I wrapped up two boots for the left foot, so he's bound to come back."

Just a flick of the wrist and the letter fell into the pillar-box with a gentle "plop." He wandered meditatively away.

His proposal . . . !

But how simple, after all, it had been—and now he could await her reply almost without a tremor. Almost he could say that, after what had passed between them, this proposal was a mere form. Yes, surely, it would be accepted.

The mere sight of her name, written on the envelope he had just posted, somehow suggested assurance.

And it seemed so easy to tell her all—little intimate details about his job, his ancestry—his heart! In return, he knew that in sickness, in disaster, even in death, he would not be alone—he would have her company to rely on. He smiled with satisfaction.

His proposal . . . !

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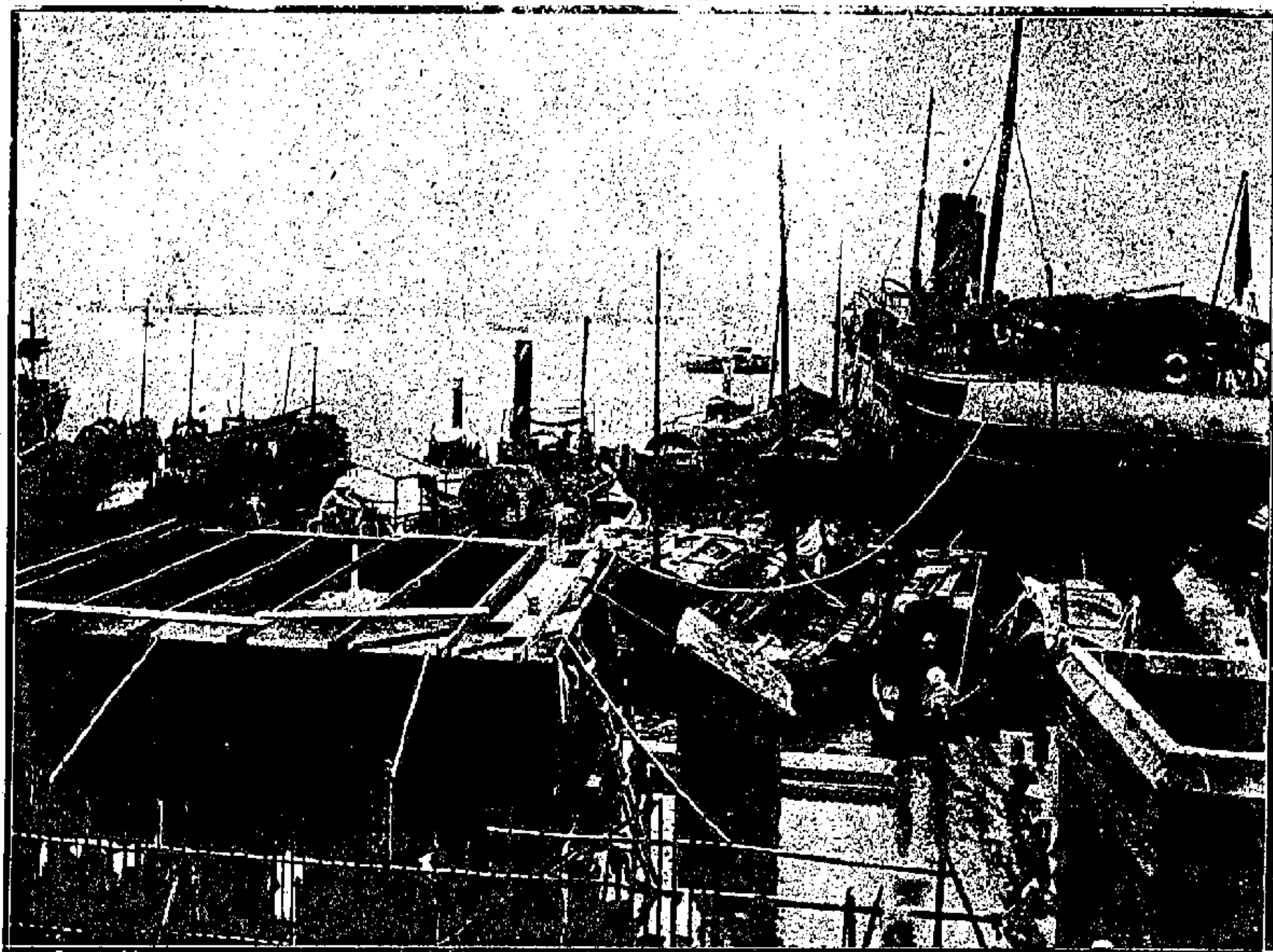
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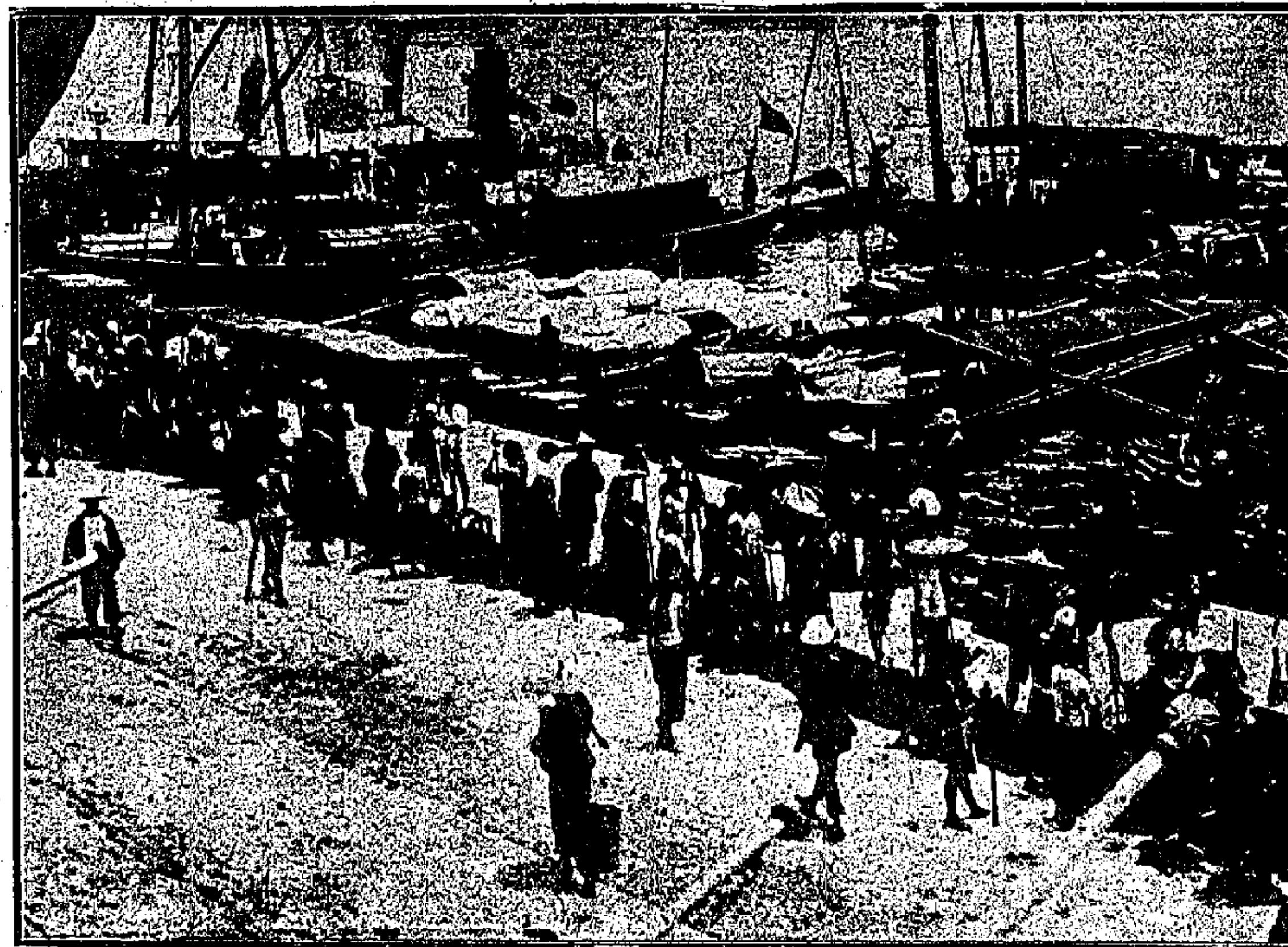
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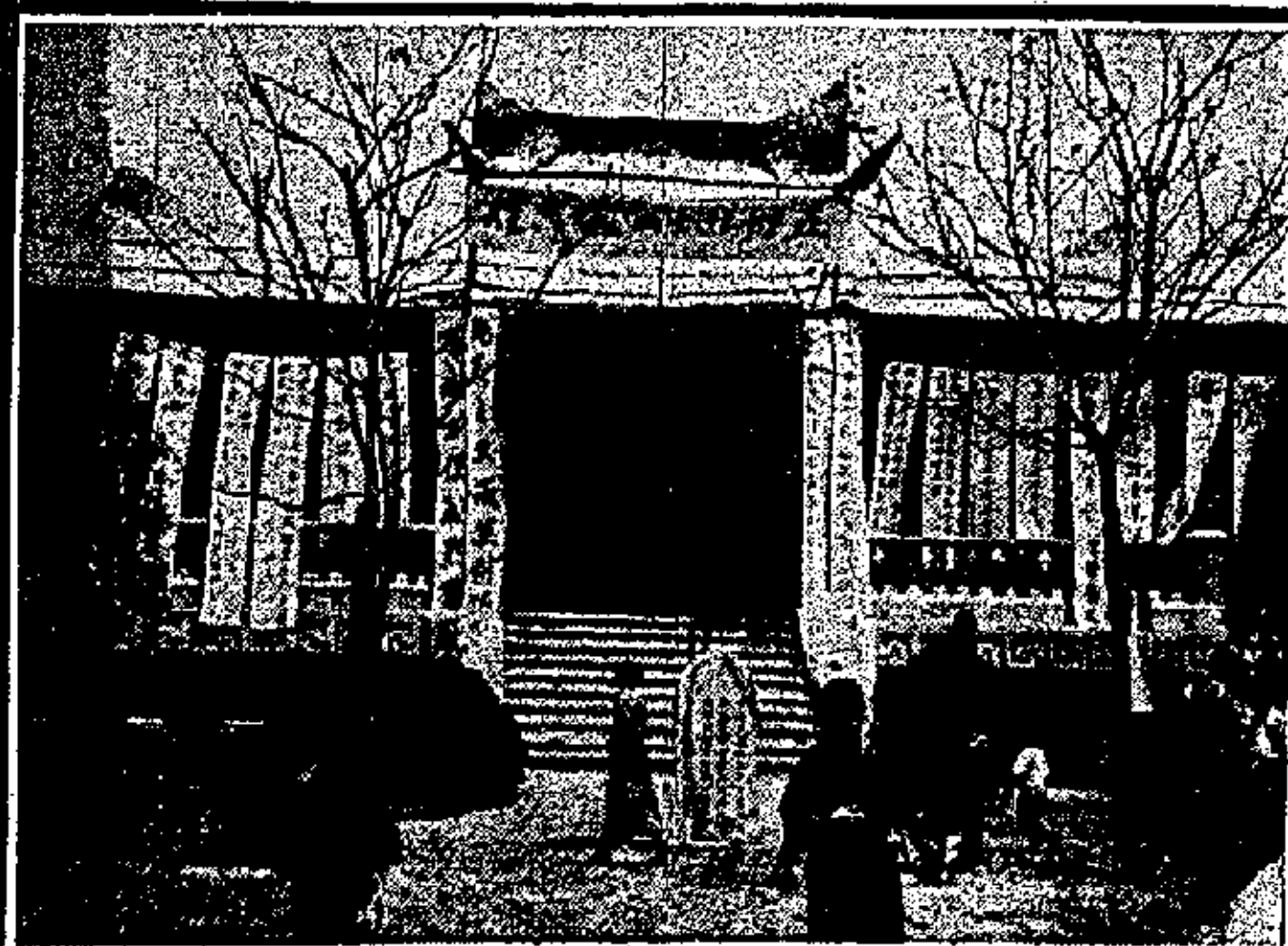
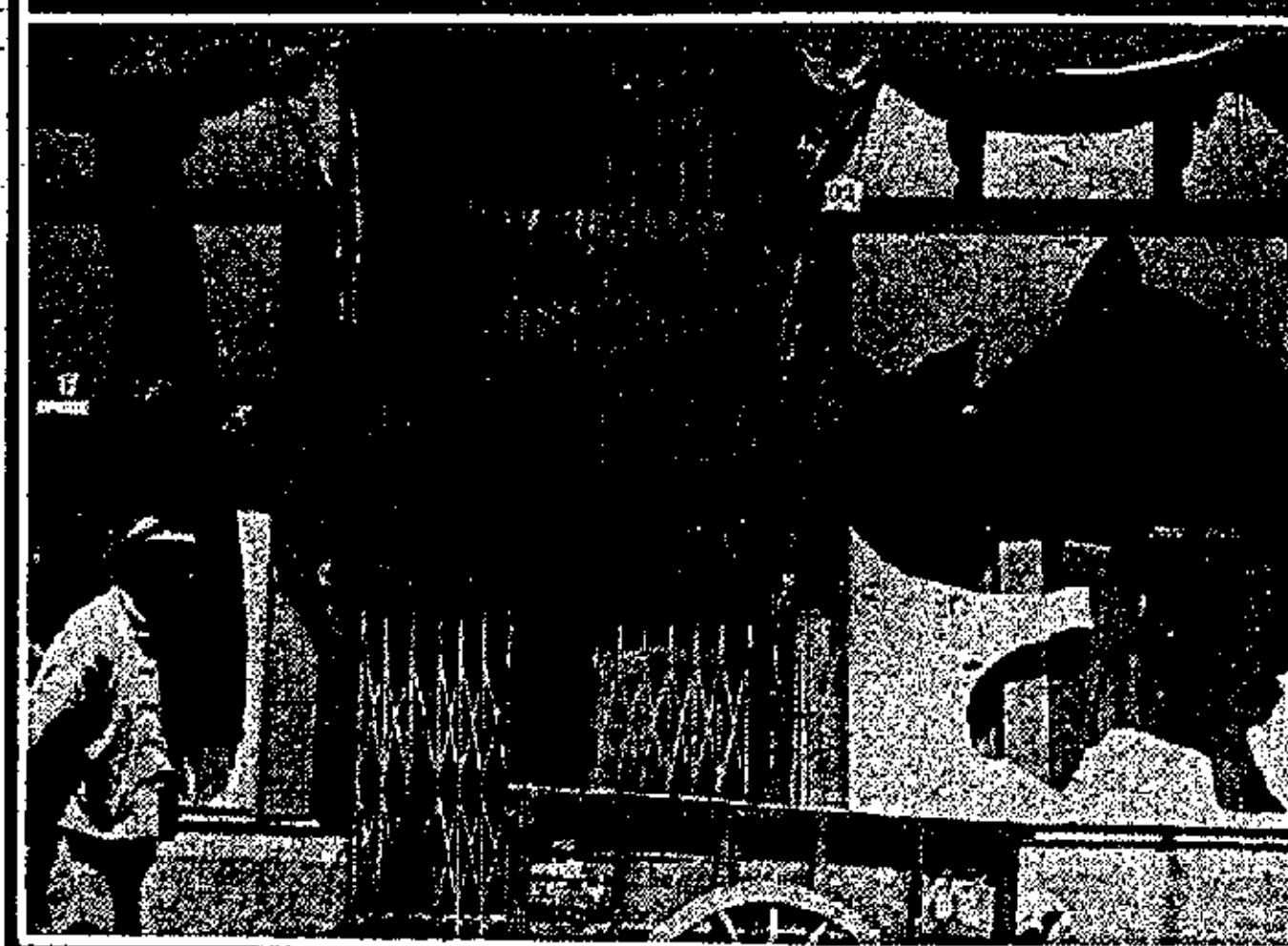
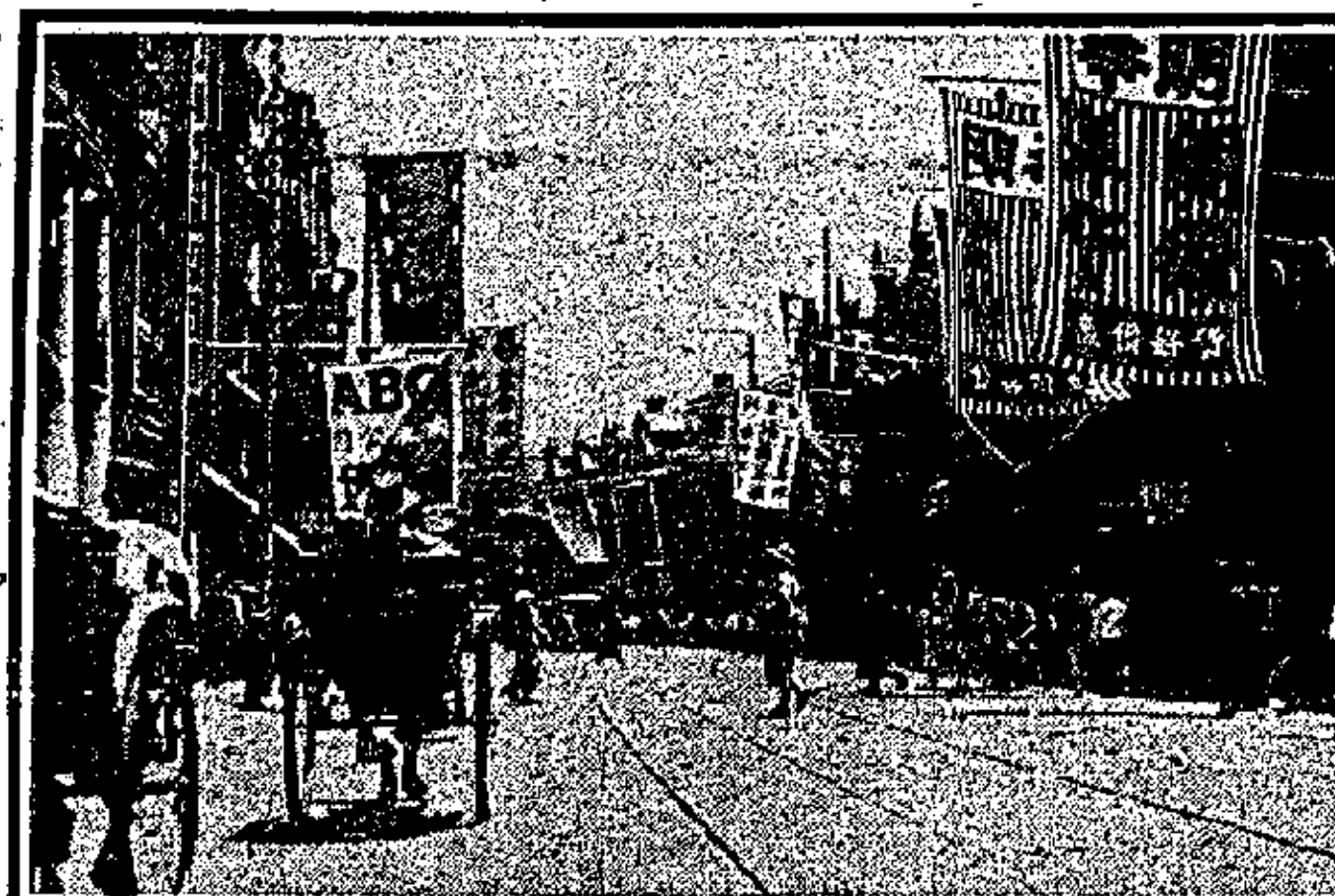
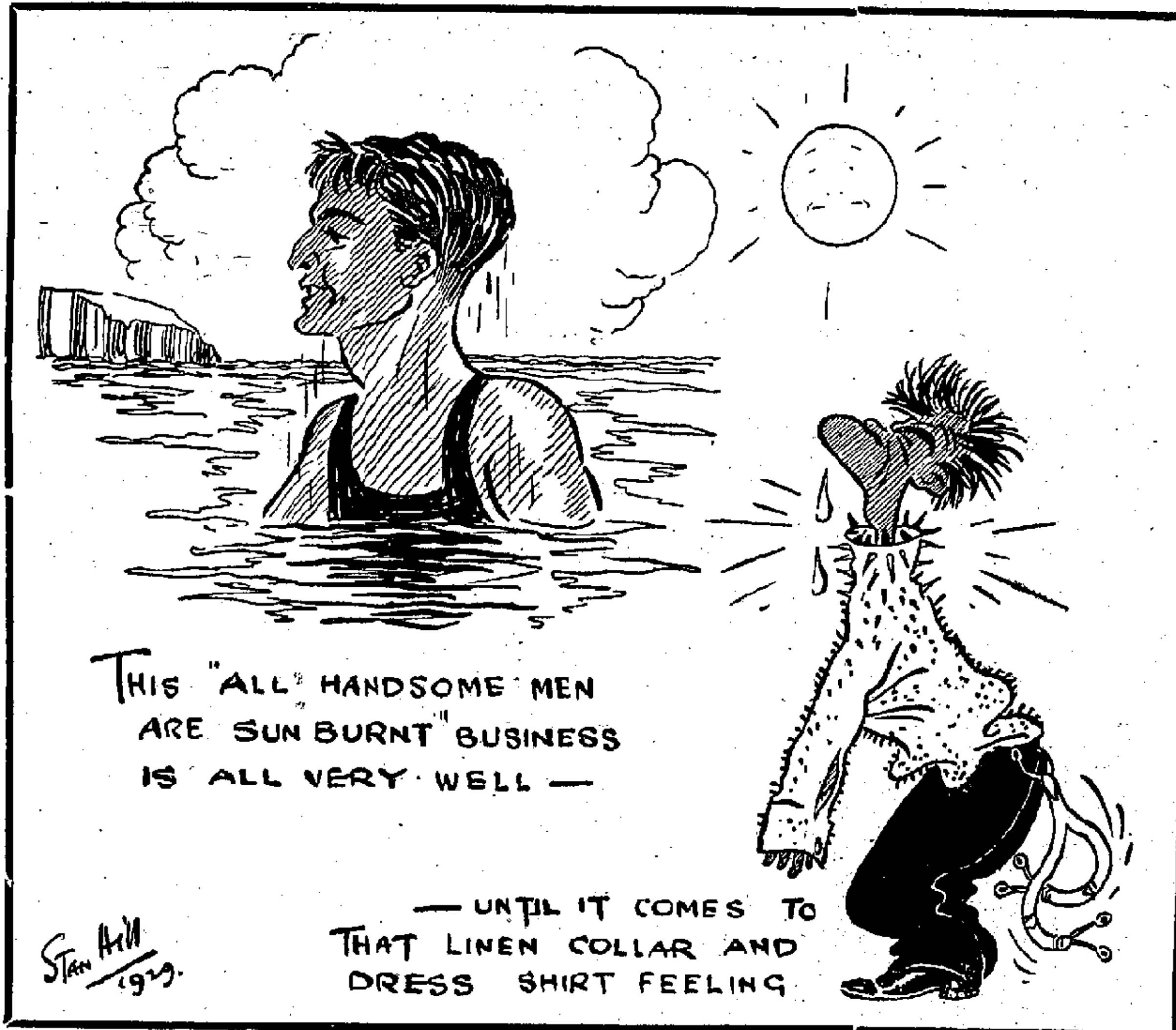
OUTSIDE HELP REACHES HONG KONG.—Scene on the Central Praya this week. The s.s. "Haiyang" is alongside Douglas wharf, discharging fresh water brought from a coast port for the first time to relieve the acute shortage here. The water is let into the steel tank in front of which a fence has been erected to regulate the queue drawing supplies.



DAVID ROLLINS.—Who will be seen to advantage in a Fox film, "Prep and Pep," at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow and on Monday.



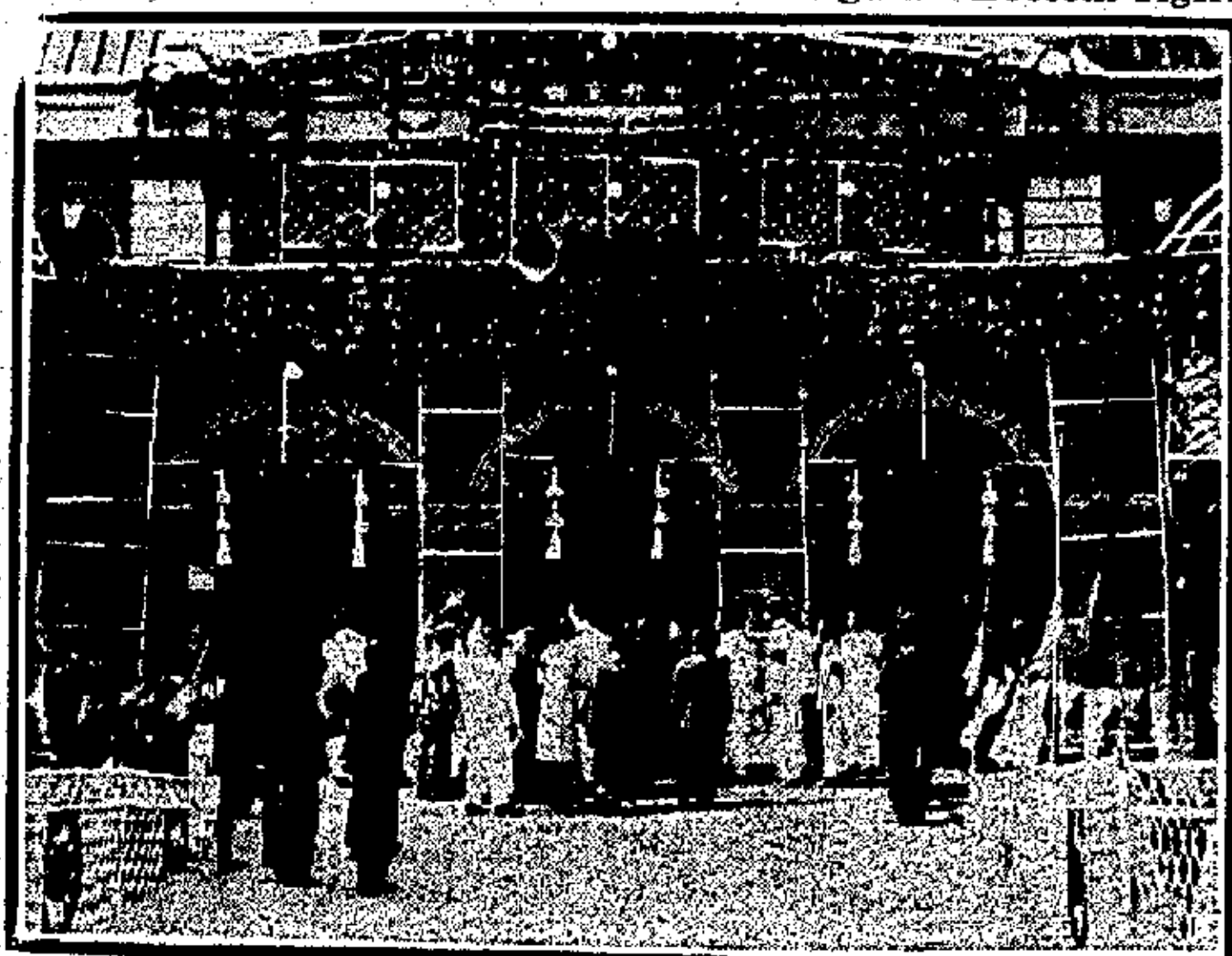
WAITING PATIENTLY FOR THEIR TURN.—The queue of Chinese on the Central Praya, awaiting their turn to move up to the steel tank, one of many, erected by the Government outside Douglas wharf, into which fresh water had been pumped from the s.s. "Haiyang," which had brought supplies to Hong Kong from nearby ports on the Coast to relieve the shortage.



RIOTS IN SHANGHAI ON MAY 30 ANNIVERSARY.—Trouble broke out in parts of Shanghai on May 30, the anniversary of the incident which brought on the anti-foreign crisis all over China in 1925. Top left, Nanking-road from Chekiang-road, Shanghai's "busiest business centre," showing scuffle following the distribution of illegal pamphlets. Top right, a broken plate-glass window at the offices of the "Shun Pao," one of the biggest vernacular papers, which was alleged to have pro-Government tendencies. Bottom left, broken windows at the "Min Kuo Jih Pao," the Government organ. Bottom right, the "May 30 Martyrs" memorial tomb, a centre of activity.—("China Press.")



SURPRISED THE CHAMPIONS.—Members of the Kowloon Cricket Club lawn bowls team last Saturday which travelled to Happy Valley and caused a surprise by defeating there the holders of the division I championship (Craigengower Cricket Club) by 60 shots to 53 in the league. Left to right (standing) A. C. Burford, J. A. Howe, A. Hyde Lay, T. E. Smith, Captain Dunbar, J. Gibson, H. Gittins, L. E. Lammert, (sitting) A. E. Silkestone, J. Fraser, B. Petheram.—(K. Fujiyama).



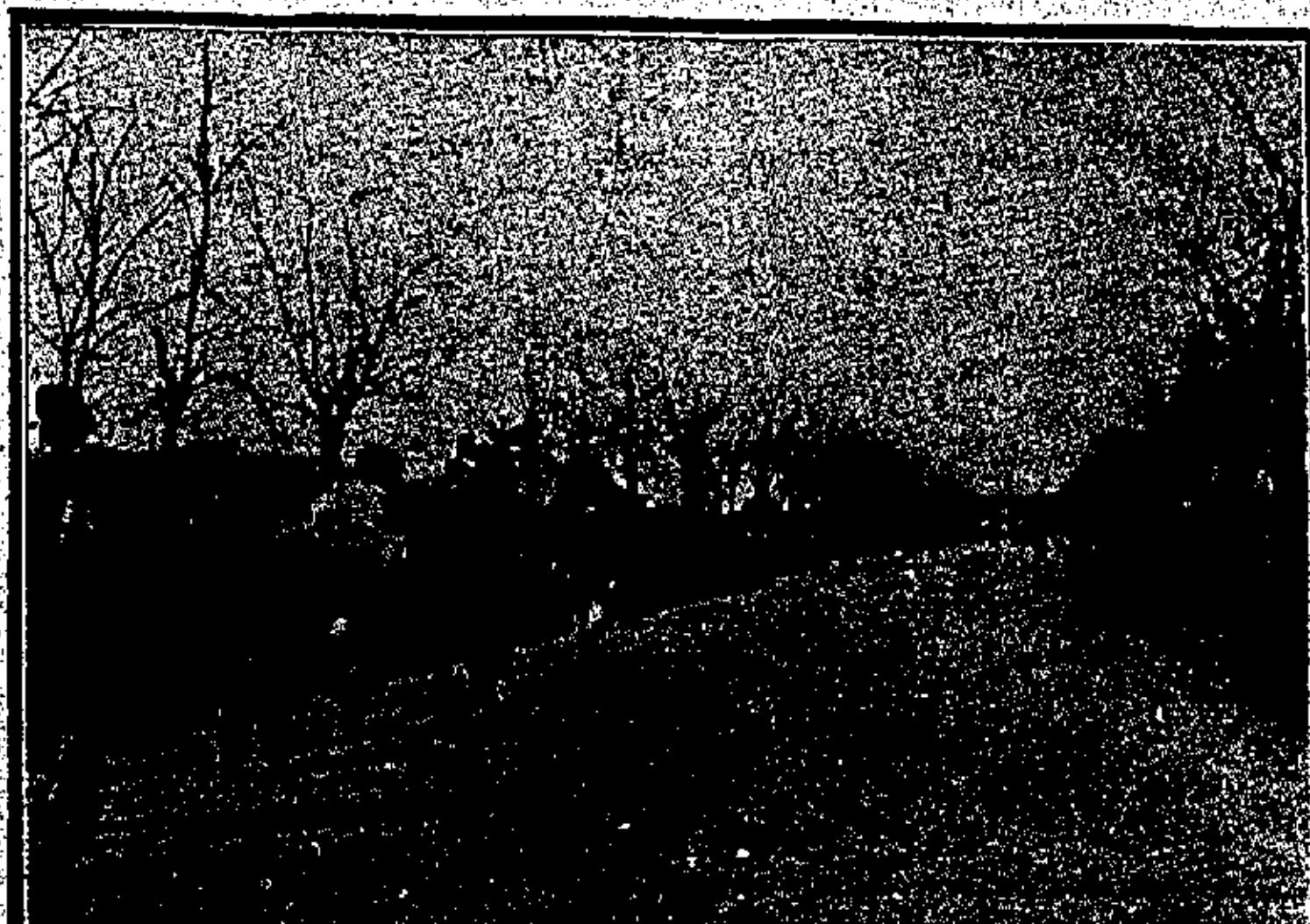
WHITE FOR MOURNING.—At the Central Headquarters of the Kuomintang, for Dr. Sun Yat-sen's State funeral.



WU PEI-FU.—Once China's strong man, now living in retirement.



CHIANG KAI-SHEK AS MOURNER.—In the procession at the State funeral of Dr. Sun Yat-sen at Nanking. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, head of the Government, is wearing a Chinese gown and jacket and is indicated by a cross placed underneath him.



LIKE IN FRANCE IN 1914.—Unfortunate people, carrying all their possessions away from famine-stricken provinces.



BEAT H.M.S. "SUFFOLK".—The Japanese Varsity rugby team which beat H.M.S. "Suffolk" by 23 points to nil at the Mott stadium during the visit of H.M.S. "Suffolk" to Japan.



STATE FUNERAL TRAIN.—With white, the Chinese "colour" of mourning.



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Flowers Dominate Bridal Attire



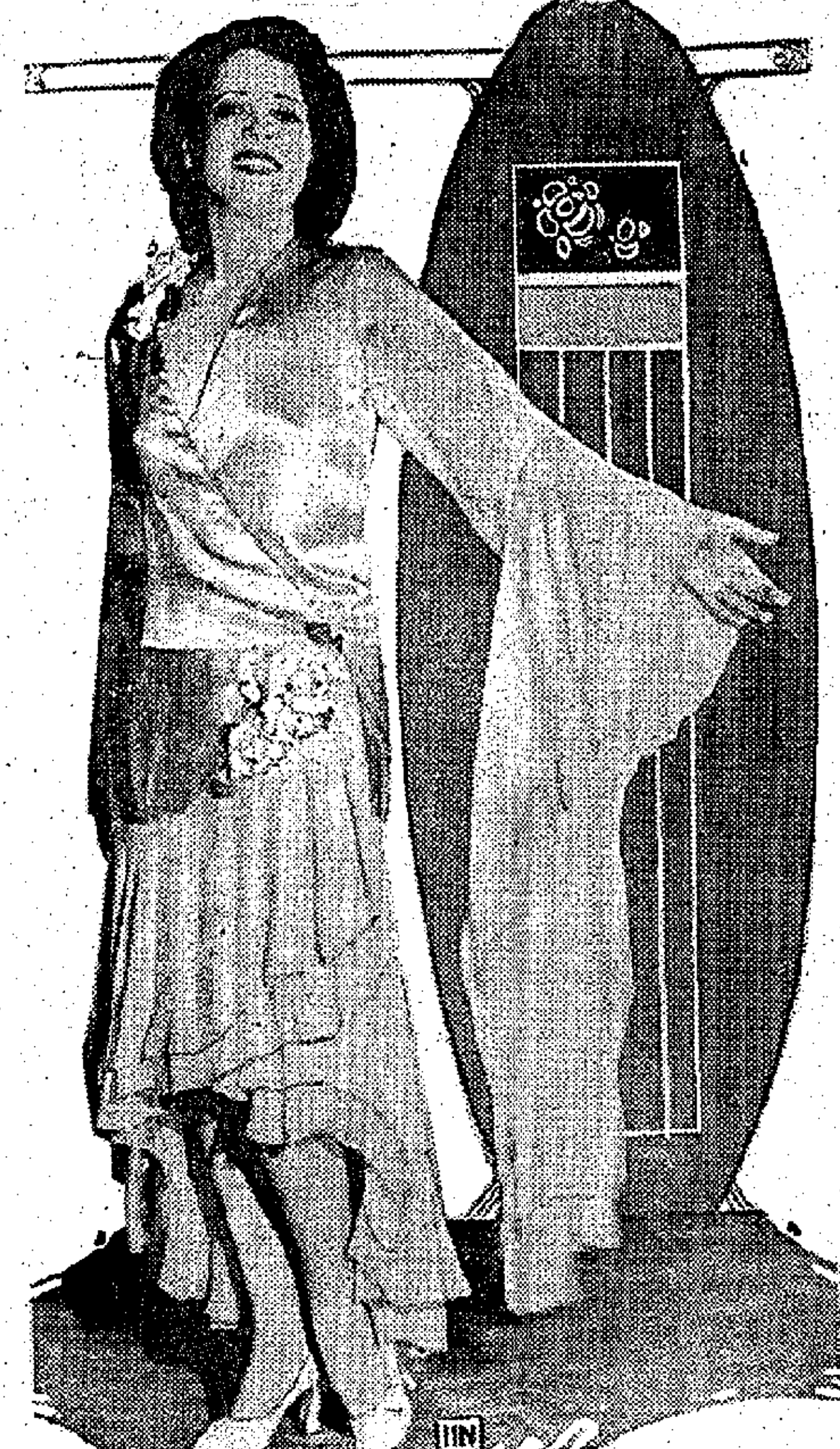
Apparently the time-honoured custom of wearing orange blossoms is due for a fall, according to the latest dictates of fashion. Above are two brides, attired in up-to-the-minute bridal dresses, showing the new trend in finishing touches. The lady on the right has chosen delicate rose-buds for her veil, which motif she has carried out in her shippers, shown in the right hand corner. The inset shows the bride in a cap-shaped veil of white wood violets, with a muff of violets to match, in place of the usual bridal bouquet or Bible.

The Dance Frock and Cloak Ideal



In tune with the tango dance music is the satin brocaded gown on the left, fashioned in a delicate peach shade. Scallops finish the neckline and under a circular flounce, set on a hip yoke. This yoke is topped by another and finished with a tailored bow of the satin. On the right is an evening cloak in that popular shade of eggshell satin, with a graceful cape collar-line and cuffs of brown fox fur. This blends beautifully with the dance frock on the left, but its neutral shade makes it practical for wear with a great many other shades of dress.

A Tea Gown That Fills The Bill



This lovely creation combines period effects with the latest fashion edicts, and the result is a complete success. A robe of soft green satin terminates in a circular skirt of chiffon that is chiefly uneven. Clusters of gardenias are caught at the shoulder and waistline. The Lady of Shalott sleeves repeat the chiffon in flounces that fall from wrist to floor.

FLESH, FISH & FOWL

THREE SEASONABLE LUNCHEON SUGGESTIONS

We must admit it, greediness is a vice, a nasty disease, but indifference to food is not very far from being equally detestable, being not even a negative virtue, although those who boast of it seem to think that their aloofness in the matter—which is simply due to the deplorable fact that they have neither a palate nor an intelligent power of appreciation—is commendable.

Having dismissed both the greedy and the indifferent, if we consider the attitude as regards food adopted by the British and the French, we notice at once, clearly, a fundamental difference. Or rather we perceive a difference in the quality of the interest taken. The Frenchman is deliberately more prosaic; he begins by describing, say, a marvellous meal which he has thoroughly enjoyed; he describes the dishes, their flavour, their subtlety; the memory of their sapidity makes, so to speak, his mouth water and almost brings tears to his eyes. He visualises, he tastes, he enjoys all over again. His pleasure is purely gastronomical; he is concerned with facts, not with ideas.

Sentimentality

Not so the British, who is carried away not by *gourmandise*, but by sentimentality. To him, all powerfully and, it may be, obscurely, the context is the thing. Visions arise out of say, a cucumber, a leaf of mint, the first slice of salmon, a piece of Wensleydale.... Mirages. Here is the inn, with its old pavier and Elizabethan beams, the herbaceous border at the end of the lawn; that cucumber salad, the first after months of darkness, tastes like spring in his mouth, and the mint, ah! who could describe the symbolical importance of of mint? Lamb, young lamb, pale pink, sweet, and tender, appears like a delicate flower blooming suddenly after the grey days of Lent, all the more charming because of its lean introduction.... In fact, all the things food represent, evoke, stand for, but not food for food's sake.

The Matinee Tea

Yet who would dare to say that Britain does not care about food. Every tea table is loaded with polychromatic cakes, and in the stalls of a West-end theatre, at matinees, you cannot hear the third act of the play for the clatter of teacups and the shrieking of the programme seller, who, with enormous bows on their heads and ribboned trays in their hands, dispense tea, lemonade, chocolate, to thirsty and hungry spectators.

They sit in humble theatres, enjoy a humble fare of nuts and fruit, also bear during the intervals. And surely all these people cannot enjoy the play with a mouth full of must eat with an orella dis-

traite. And no doubt the best policy is to give the food its proper importance, and not make it an accompaniment to a detective play; so let us sit down to enjoy it in a dining-room chair—as long as it is food worth enjoying, and not the dull daily bread that satisfies hunger alone.

Laitances A La Grecque.—Soft roes treated in the following manner make a delicious hors d'oeuvre. Put your soft roes in a fat saucepan or in a fireproof dish, season them with salt, pepper, and a pinch of saffron; add one or two chopped shallots, the flesh (skin and pips should be removed) of one tomato cut in small pieces, a bouquet of parsley, thyme, and bayleaf, a pudding spoonful of "fumet" of fish; add olive oil so that it comes just level with the soft roes, and cook for about four minutes. Remove the bouquet and serve cold.

For the "fumet" of fish put in a saucepan head and bones of a sole, one mushroom and one onion cut in slices, salt, coarsely broken pepper, parsley, one bay-leaf, a glass of dry white wine, and cook till it is reduced by three-quarters. Pass through a muslin or a fine strainer.

Parmes de Terre Florentine.—Take some spinach, clean the leaves carefully, and cook them in the ordinary way. Drain them well. Also boil some potatoes, the yellow Dutch kind being the best for this dish, peel them and cut them in thin slices.

Butter a fireproof dish, dispose first the spinach well seasoned, then a layer of fresh cream, then a layer of potatoes, season again, sprinkle with grated cheese, and a little more cream to finish. Cook in the oven for about a quarter of

an hour; garnish with croutons fried in butter.

Oeufs Pareils Aux Champignons.—Have some hard-boiled eggs; cut them in two lengthways. Cook in butter a few fresh mushrooms for about ten minutes; season them with salt, pepper, and a little lemon juice. Chop together finely the mushrooms and the yolks of eggs, mix with Bechamel sauce so that the stuffing is the consistency of a stiff sauce. Fill the eggs, which you put in a buttered fireproof dish, if you like, a little Bechamel sauce around the eggs. Brown in a slow oven and serve at once. The portions should be about a quarter of a pound of mushrooms for six eggs.—X. M. Boulestin in "Daily Telegraph."

WOMAN DECORATOR

NEEDS TO BE ARCHITECT, ARTIST, & TEXTILE EXPERT

[By George Tremaine]

It is becoming every day more evident that interior domestic decoration, with its infinite possibilities, affords a wide sphere of future activity for women. Not only do they possess a natural aptitude for work of this nature, but their instinct for colour and arrangement is as a rule superior to that of men.

It is, however, courting disaster for a girl to embark upon such a career in the belief that it is a light and easy one. The fact that a number of titled women, able to count on an extensive connection, have recently set up as "advisers in decoration," is perhaps responsible for this misguided notion, which has been further fostered by modern writers of fiction.

I recall a recent novel wherein the stranded heroine, suddenly

faced with the need of earning her livelihood, decided to become a home beautifier, and met with considerable success, equipped solely with "excellent taste and some knowledge of old furniture." It does not seem to have occurred to the author that these are qualifications which nearly every up-to-date hostess possesses. It is most unlikely she would pay large fees to another woman for doing things of which she herself is quite capable.

The truth is that for the ordinary girl to achieve eminence as a decorator, whether as a practical exponent or simply as a consultant, involves a long and arduous training. Moreover, it calls for a combination of talents of the most diverse nature. One needs to be an artist and architect, historian and textile expert into one.

Skill in drawing, especially in what is known as drawing to scale, is a prime essential. The home creator who is obliged to employ an independent artist to illustrate her ideas is in the position of a foreigner at the mercy of an interpreter. She should be able to convey rough suggestions to her patron with a few deft strokes of the pencil, and afterwards work them up into an attractively coloured sketch. This alone means many years of study.

Complex Problem

The problem of soft furnishings, too, grows more and more complex. Not a week passes but some new fabric appears on the market, and the range and variety of cretonnes, silks and linens is enormous. To remember names and prices, apart from their specific qualities, is of itself no mean feat of memory. In view of this some women prefer to concentrate, at least at first, and set up as carpet specialists, cushion specialists, and so forth.

Some acquaintance with architecture and building construction is imperative. This is where so many girls whose studies have been restricted to an art school come to grief. The days have gone when naked gas pipes were allowed to run like spiders across the wall-paper, or iron stoves stand forth in unrelieved crudeness. These necessary details must to-day be blended into the general decorative scheme, and where they cannot be rendered beautiful must at least be made unobtrusive.

The varying qualities of paperings and panellings, the chemical composition of paints and distempers, methods of installing water, heating, and lighting systems added to the estimating ability to work out approximately the cost of whatever work may be required—these are a few of the accomplishments demanded from the professional decorator.

Creative Vision

Even then, when all is done, there must be something above and beyond mere technical prowess, a certain power of creative vision. In faithfully carrying out the wishes of her patron, the house artist must at the same time lend the inspiration of her own personality, like a musician interpreting the composition of a great master. It will thus be seen that it is no superficial undertaking to transform a bare apartment into "a thing of beauty and a joy for ever." The best training of all is a term of apprenticeship with a practical arm of decorators. Failing this, there are in most big towns art and technical schools where the rudiments of house decoration can be acquired. The Incorporated Institute of British Decorators now admits women to membership.

Sunbonnet Sue of Modern Times



Up in front and down in back, just the way they used to wear 'em fifty years ago. And if you have soft, fluffy hair like the model here, by all means set it away—don't hide it! The hat on the left is a lovely shade of ecru, with a careless bow tucked at the back. On the right is one of those straw hats that you can just crush in your hands without damaging. This one has a brightly coloured enamel dog on the front of the crown for a mascot.

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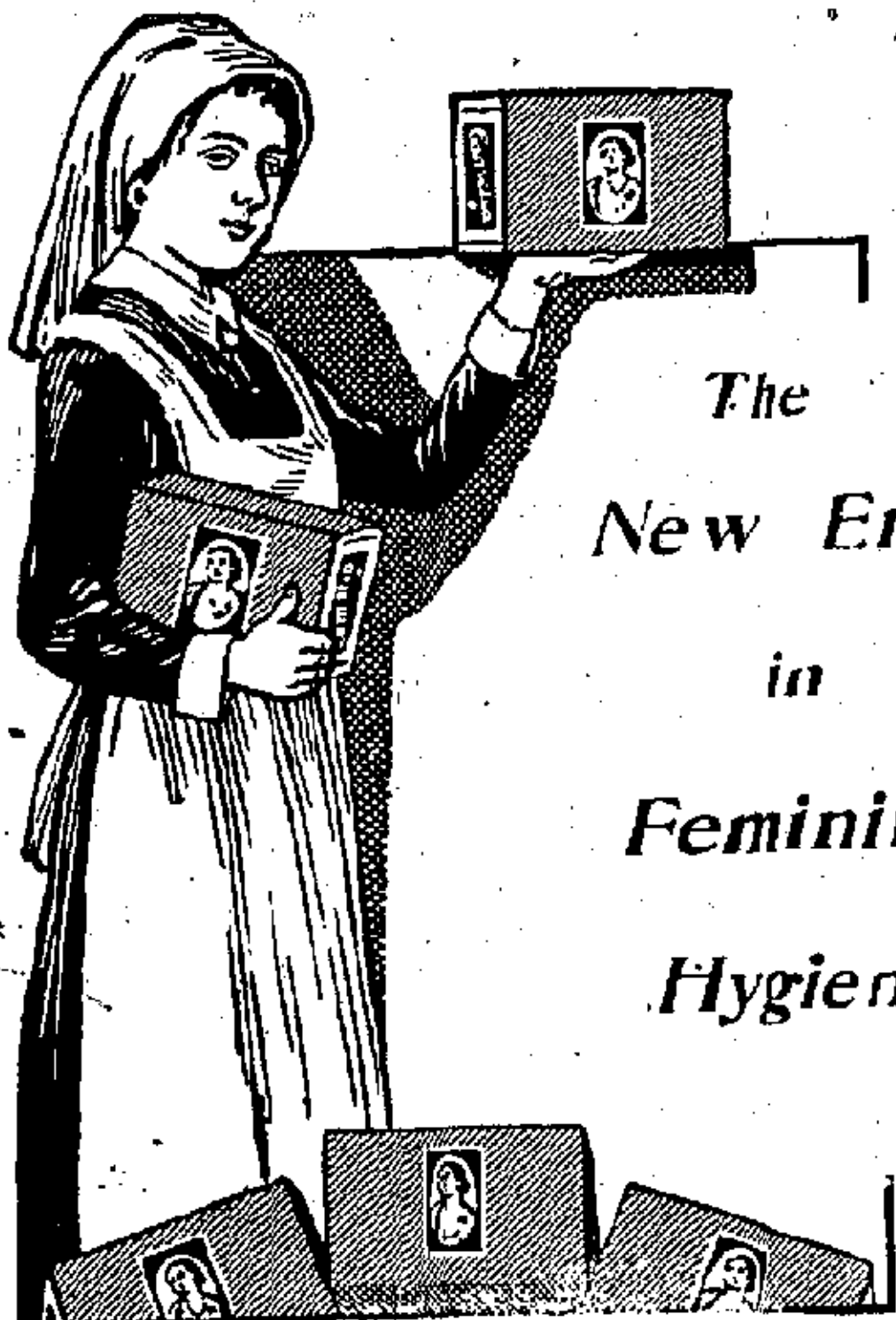
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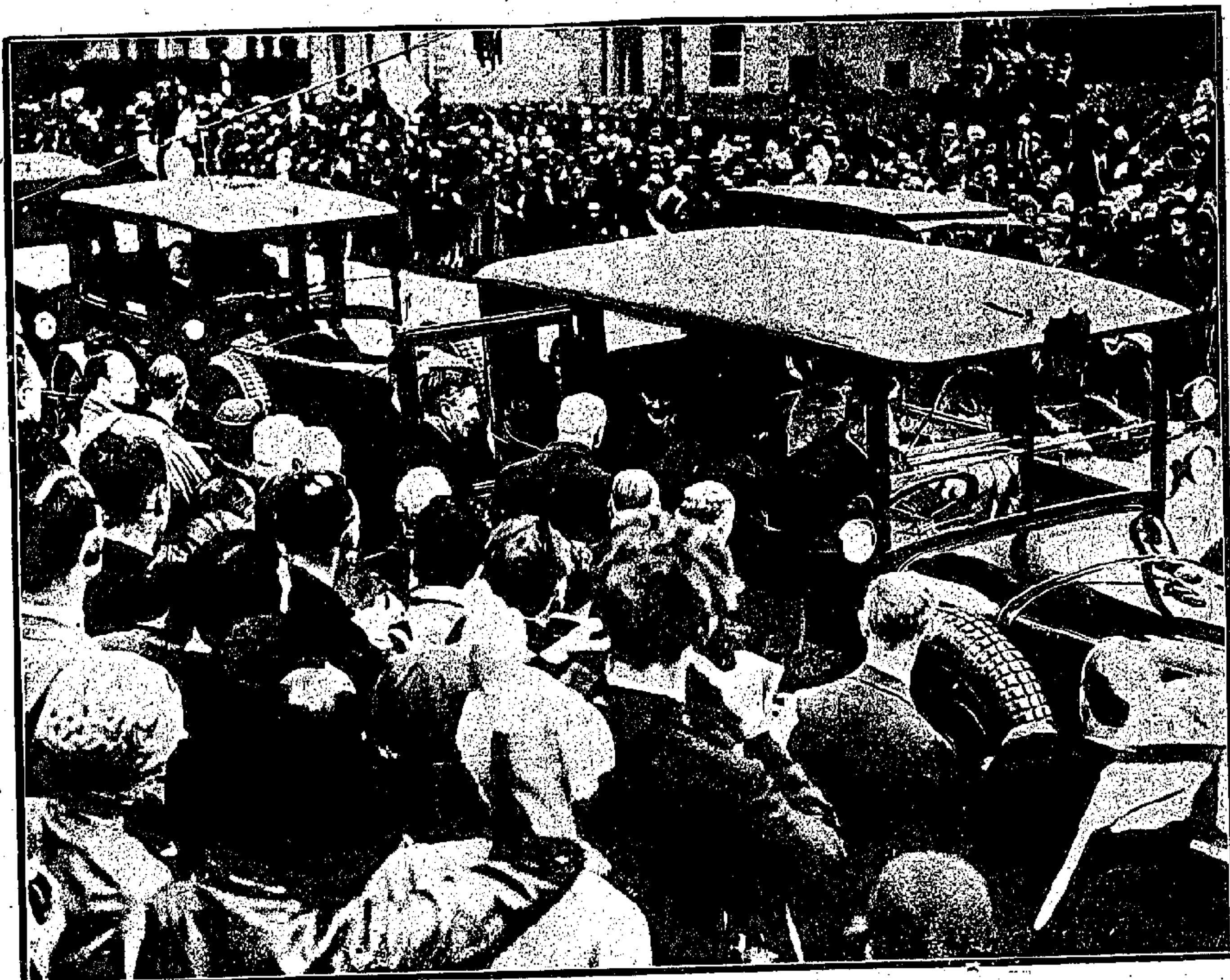
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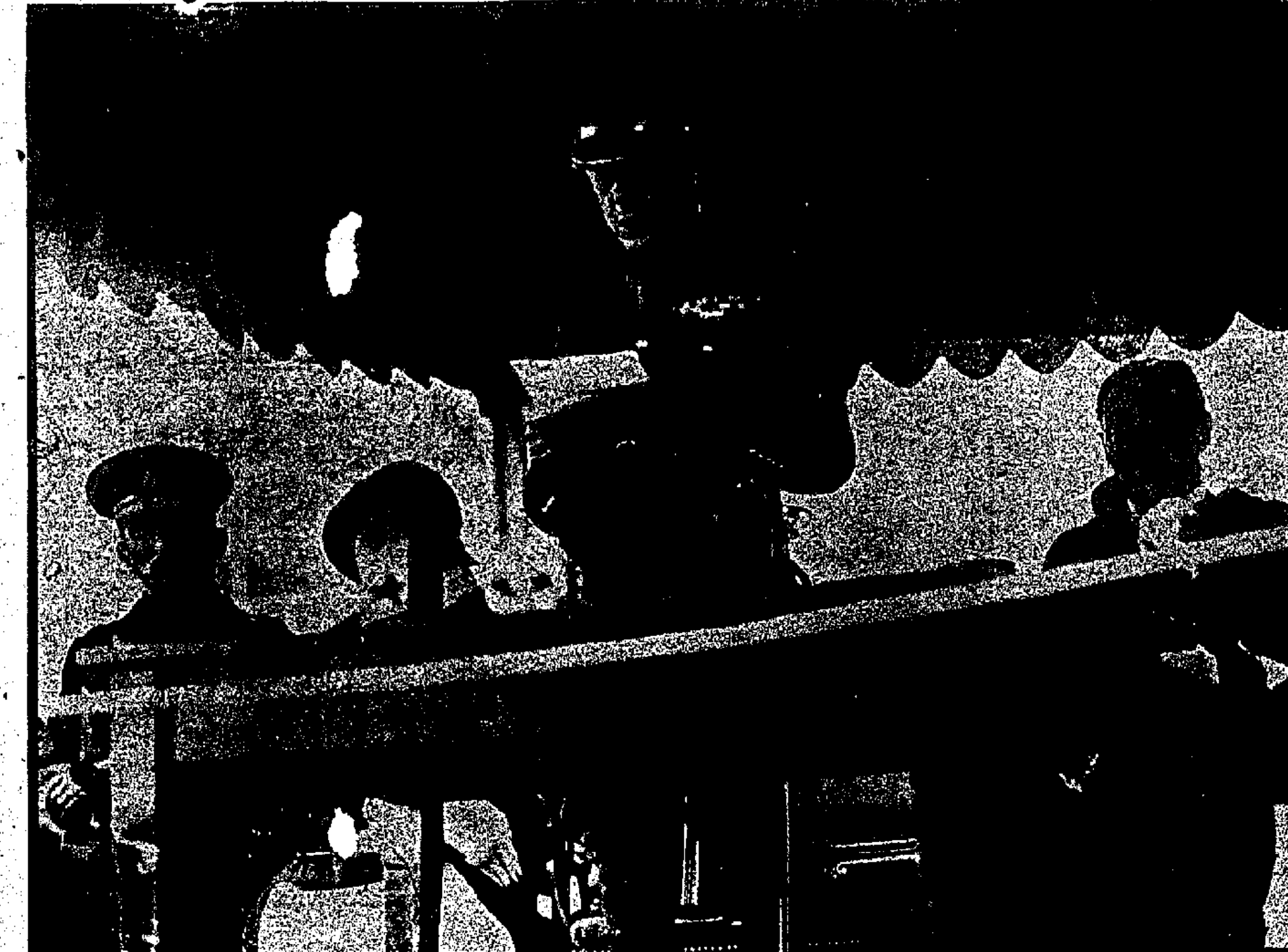
THE KING LEAVES BOGNOR.—By car for Windsor. A wonderful farewell, cheering crowds along the route. Their Majesties the King and Queen left Craigwell-house, Bognor, where the King had been recuperating for the past 13 weeks, for Windsor Castle, Bucks. Thousands gathered along the route to bid farewell. H.M. the King is seen in his car bidding farewell to Canon Sacre, Chairman of the Bognor Urban District Council, and other officials at the Eastern Grandstand on the promenade along which the King slowly passed.



THE KING RETURNS HOME.—Back to Windsor Castle, happy, smiling, and restored to health, and given an enthusiastic reception by dense crowds. Windsor was en fete on May 15, when Their Majesties the King and Queen arrived by car from Bognor, where His Majesty had been recuperating for the past 13 weeks. Never before had such crowds been seen at the historic little town and a wonderful welcome was given along the route. Here is a general view of the reception at Windsor showing His Majesty being greeted on arrival by the Mayor of Windsor in front of Queen Victoria's statue at Castle Hill.



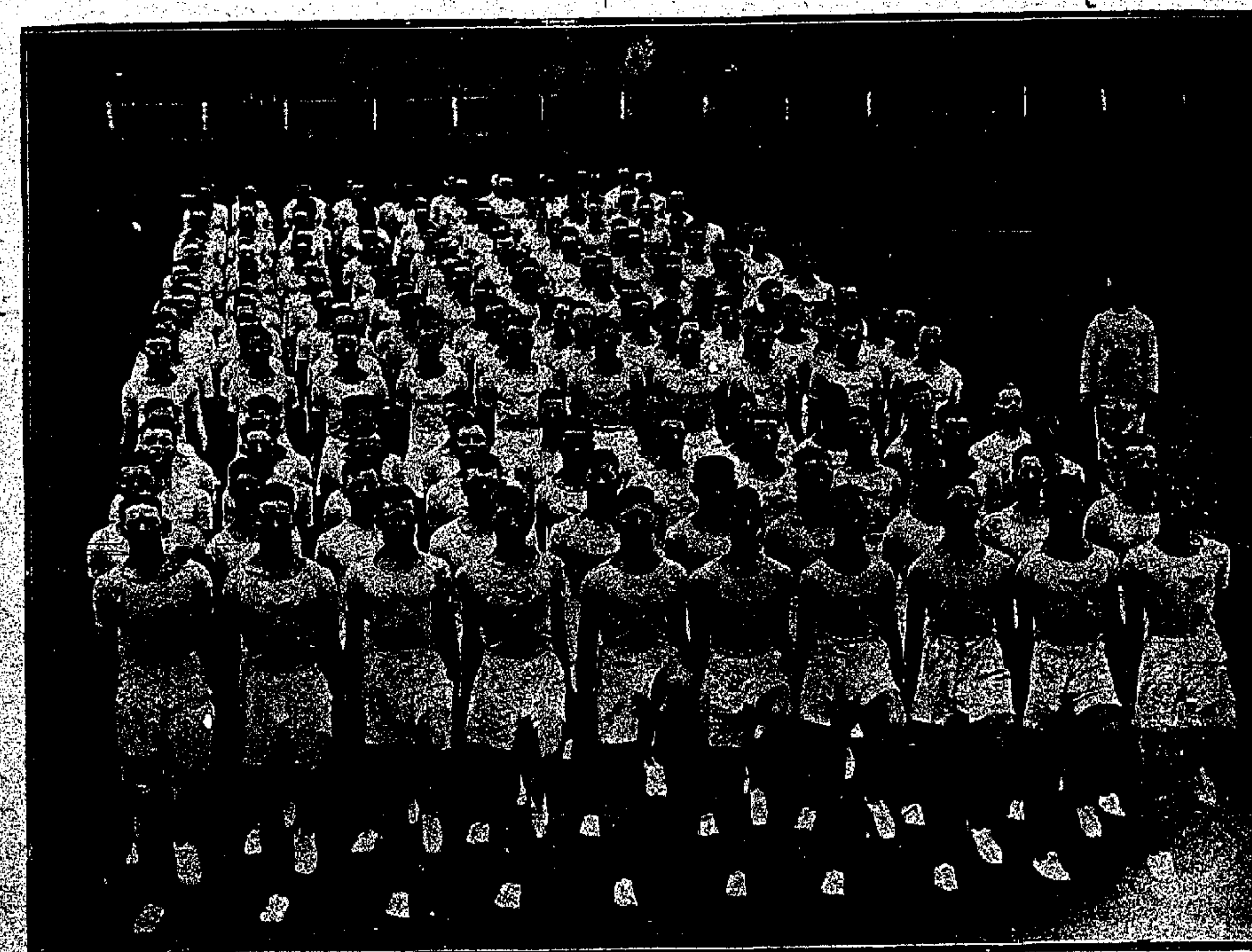
HUGE CROWDS AT NEWCASTLE.—As escort for the Prince of Wales, who found Newcastle-on-Tyne alive with enthusiasm when he arrived there on May 14 to open the magnificent North-East Coast Exhibition of Industry, Science and Art—the Wembley of the North—crowds following his Royal Highness as he toured the exhibition and grounds. The Prince of Wales is seen walking through the enormous crowd that attended the opening ceremony.



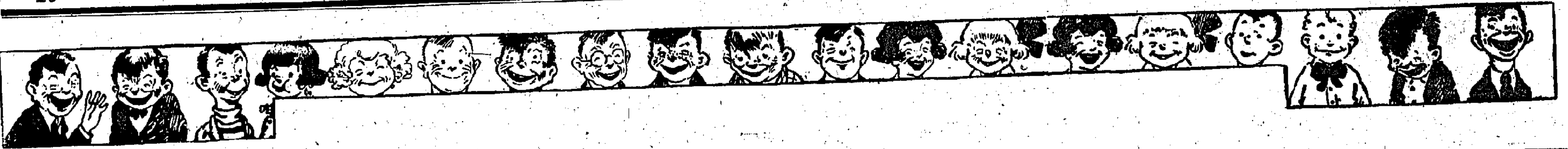
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OUR POPULAR LITTLE DUCHESS.—Enormous crowds gathered at Greenwich, London, on May 14 to welcome H.R.H. the Duchess of York when she arrived to formally open the new extension and nurses' home of the Millar Hospital at Greenwich. The Duchess is seen in the centre, being greeted by the Mayor of Greenwich on her arrival.



WONDERFUL TRAINING.—Preparing for the Royal Naval and Military Tournament which commenced at Olympia, London, May 23. The Royal Air Force, particularly noted for their physical training display, are seen rehearsing at Uxbridge, Middlesex. The march off after the display of physical training.



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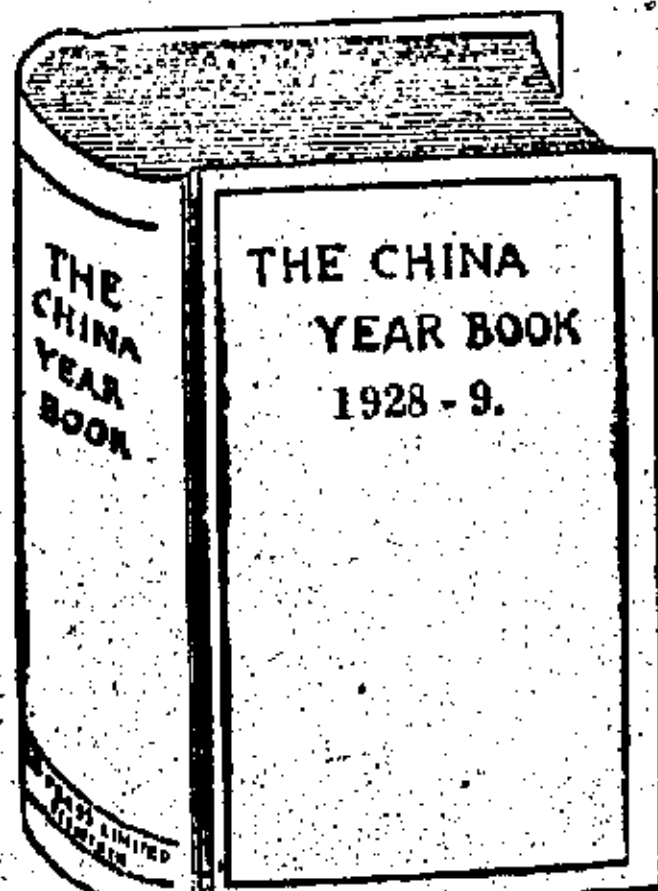
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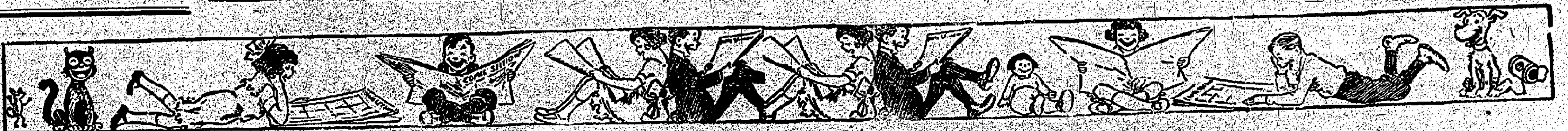
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MODERN CHURCHMAN'S VIEWS

[By G. G. Coulton, M.A., D.Litt., Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge]

In the address by the Dean of St. Paul's and of which every word commanded attention, three points were raised which seem so important that I must begin by dealing briefly with them lest you should feel that I am shirking the difficulties of my subject.

(1) The question of time and space. I know very well that these may be merely modes of thought; but to me, unread in higher philosophy, they are necessary modes of thought; and I shall make myself more intelligible, and perhaps even get nearer to the truth after a rough fashion, by assuming, as we all assume in ordinary speech, the reality of time and space.

Acquired Characteristics
(2) The inheritance of acquired characteristics. Here I confess myself among the meliorists who hope that scientists may be mistaken when they speak of the thing as impossible; and that it may only amount to this, that science, with her present tools and methods, has not yet found any trace of such inheritance. But, after all, this question is not essential to my paper; for, if acquired characteristics are not inherited, certainly acquired experience is. Man's mind, like his body, has the power of assimilating nourishment and eliminating waste matter; therefore, in the most real sense, there is an eternal spirit which breathes from man to man, from generation to generation, and which (even though there were no other immortality) would give significance and dignity to all honest thought and to every strenuous endeavour.

(3) The question whether certain betterments in the world make us better Christians is rather philosophical than historical. In one sense, they cannot; for at times the Christian is a finite creature in face of an infinite duty—love God with all thine heart—love thy neighbour as thyself—so that, to the last, we are unprofitable servants. But part of love to one's neighbour is to avoid killing him; yet history can prove with certainty that manslaughter is far less frequent now than sixty years ago, and that there is more general respect for human life; should we not, therefore, reckon this and similar improvements definitely on the good side, without enquiring farther? With this preface, I come at once to the main thread of my paper.

Insatiable Curiosity
In the broader sense of the word, the sense in which science is contrasted with *nescience*, no man desires this title to history. The insatiable curiosity which we feel in the men and women of our daily lives extends also to others whom we have never known and never shall know by face; we read of their deeds and their words in the conviction that, by such reading, we advance ever so little beyond the zero of absolute nescience. But evidently those who chose the title of this present paper intended to raise the question of history's claim to that narrow sense of science in which we commonly contrast the 'sciences' with the 'arts.'

How, then, are we to define science in that restricted sense? Let us take that of Mr. Dampier Whetham:

"Science, in its broadest sense, is synonymous with learning and knowledge generally; or, in a more restricted sense, with ordered knowledge of natural phenomena and of the relations between them."

Ordered Knowledge.
It will be convenient to work upon this brief definition; and let me show my hand at once. I contend that history is capable of presenting us with an ordered knowledge not only of phenomena, but also of the relation between them. Moreover, I would add that this has always been the aim of the greatest historians, however sadly many writers of history may have sinned against the light. And in support of this I may quote from two great scholars who might seem to have lain under special temptations to the contrary—the Roman Catholic bishop Bossuet and the monk Mabillon. Each of these men speaks of his task in terms which might be endorsed by the severest scientist. Bossuet declared that:

"The worst of all intellectual failings is that of believing that things are, just because we should wish them to be."

And Mabillon defines it as his own duty:

"To proclaim certainties as certain, falsehoods as false, and uncertainties as dubious."

It will be admitted that these two sentences do at least afford *prima facie* justification for the claim that historical methods and historical results differ not in kind from those of science, but only in degree. And my argument may be reinforced from one of the driest and most

scientific writers who ever produced a first rate historical work in Britain, Thomas Madox, who wrote two hundred years ago:

"In truth, writing of history is some sort of religious act. It imports solemnity and sacredness, and ought to be undertaken with purity and rectitude of mind."

A Difference of Degree

In degree, history and 'science' do indeed differ, as the sciences do also differ among themselves; some, in the nature of the case, are more exact than others. We may say roughly, perhaps, that sciences become uncertain in proportion to their direct applicability to human life. The motion of bodies in a vacuum is comparatively easy to work out; but the complete vacuum is no factor in our daily lives. Motion as complicated by wind and weather, and by the attraction of other bodies, is far more difficult to calculate exactly; and, if the human element comes in as a further complication, the solution will be still more uncertain. Yet the same methods of enquiry hold good in all those problems; and it is only a difference of degree which stands between our most abstract calculation in *vacuo* and our calculation as to how far a certain golfer will drive a certain ball upon a certain day. Strict scientific method is simply the strict application of common sense to the subject in hand; and so, also, of strict historical method. In just the same way as one man deals with this problem of the golf-ball, another will deal with one of the most exciting of historical problems: "How long is the machine called 'Dictatorship' of the Proletariat likely to run in Russia before it breaks down? And, if it breaks down, how and where will the failure come? True, that problem is far less soluble than those others I mentioned; but my point is that we have here only a difference of degree, and that history, like physics, is a science, a struggle for 'the ordered knowledge of phenomena and of the relations between them.'"

Unscientific Objections
The two main objections that are made against this contention seem to be themselves unscientific, as resting upon imperfect observation of facts or upon false inferences. One is, that history is too warped by human prejudices to count as a science; the other, that it cannot repeat its experiments, whereas such repetition is essential to science.

The first of these objections acquires some support from many historians themselves, whose confusion of thought on this subject transpired occasionally at a recent International Congress, where one subject of debate was the question of Bias in History. Historians themselves too often use the word *impartial* where logic would seem to require a very different term, *judicial*. I say very different, because a moment's reflection will tell us that it is not a judge's duty, at the crucial moment, to be impartial; on the contrary, the very notion of judgment excludes impartiality in the sense in which that word is often used. He should be impartial, indeed, before he enters the court; but then he must struggle, as the case proceeds, to take a side in accordance with the evidence and the pleadings. He may end with a passionate conviction that A is in the right, B in the wrong; but the very passion of this final conviction may be kindled by his consciousness of having sought it by strictly scientific methods. Moreover, there are certain things which a good judge will have prejudged before ever he comes into court. He believes certain things already, on the ground of study or experience—important things, fundamental things—and from those he is bound to argue in his own mind.

No Perfectly Open Mind
Those who tell us to approach every historical problem with a perfectly open mind seem scarcely to realize the implications of their own words. The most detached scientist cannot have a perfectly open mind. Does anybody now believe, what it was possible for a man like Tyndall to believe sixty years ago, that we can arrive at certainties about the physical world without either thoughtfully deciding, or thoughtlessly begging, some of the most difficult questions in metaphysics? The scientist must embark upon his work with some prejudice, if only the prejudice that this game will be worth the candle. At almost every step his imagination must outrun his observations; he must frame working theories, or his collection of facts will be aimless and useless. Between him and the historian, it is only a question of degree.

[To Be Continued]

CAMOENS DAY

PRINCE OF PORTUGUESE POETS

THE GROTTO IN MACAO

Macao, June 11.
Among that splendid array of names of Portuguese celebrities during the 14th and 15th centuries, Portugal's golden age, there is none that rivals Luiz Vaz de Camoens, the prince of Portuguese poets and bard of the Portuguese nation. He died on June 10, 1580, and every year on the anniversary of his death the Portuguese observe the occasion in a solemn manner. June 10 has come to be called Camoens Day, and a public holiday is declared in the poet's honour.

Macao's name is linked very intimately with that of Camoens, and there is very special reason why his name should be greatly revered by the people of Macao, for Camoens himself was among the Portuguese who landed at Macao when the peninsula was taken over after its presentation by the Emperor of China in re-

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turn for services rendered in the destruction of a pirate fleet. He then remained at Macao many months awaiting a ship to carry him back to India, and legend has it that he was an habitual frequenter of the world-famed grotto that bears his name. He had already begun work on the wonderful poem which was later to bring him so much fame, and it is believed that in the charmed seclusion of the now celebrated grove he composed a great portion of his immortal epic, the "Lusiads."

School Children's Homage
And each year on this Portuguese holiday all the school children of Macao, to the number of many thousands, come to this national shrine to pay homage to the undying memory of the man who has left to posterity in the lines of his epic story, the "Lusiads," the tale of that great achievement which will forever be associated with the Portuguese race, the discovery of the sea route to the East.

Professor Edgar Prestage speaks thus of Camoens:—"He is a thinker as well as a poet, and he reveals a personality so virile and deep, a philosophy so broad and human, a vision so wide, and a form and style so nearly perfect, as not only to make him the foremost of peninsular bards but to entitle him to a place in that small company of universal poets of the first rank... and a score of his sonnets, two or three of his canzoni, elegiacs and lyrics, and the Babilonian roundels will bear comparison with any composition of the same kind that other literatures can show."

Chinese Viceroy's Tribute
It is not matter for wonder, therefore, that from many lands tributes have come to the name of Camoens, and some of these engraved on granite slabs, mortised into the rocks that form the grotto, may still be seen, and here even the Chinese Viceroy, Kiyang, knelt before the grotto to do homage to the Portuguese sage. The bust which surmounts the pedestal, on which some stanzas from the "Lusiads" were erected in 1866 by Comendador Lourenco Marques, who was an ardent admirer of the poet and his work and within whose estate the grotto stood. This estate was later acquired by the Portuguese Government and has thus been secured to the nation for ever.

From British Residents
Every visitor of any distinction comes to Macao's sacred shrine, and the latest homage rendered to Camoens is that of the British residents in China, when on February 22, 1928, Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister to China, on a visit to Macao, placed a tribute at the foot of the pedestal on which the bronze statue stands. The tribute, which takes the form of a wreath of laurel leaves in bronze, bears the following inscription:

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Russia is continuing the export of precious metal in order to cope with the growing demand for foreign currency. About 900lb of platinum, accompanied by armed officials, arrived at Riga from Moscow bound for Germany.

INVASION A MYTH?

RELATIONS BETWEEN CHINA AND SOVIET

MANCHURIAN FRONTIER

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The reported advance of the Soviet troops to Hailar, an important city in North-West Manchuria, has been accepted with considerable reserve. There are two possibilities.

The first is that the Soviet is countering the long-lived Chinese intrigues to obtain full control of the Chinese Eastern Railway (1,000 miles long) traversing North Manchuria, which the Chinese are now reported to be demanding as a *quid pro quo* for the release of the Consular officials arrested at Harbin on May 27. In this connection it is reported that Russia has informed the Manchurian authorities that they will definitely proclaim suzerainty over Outer Mongolia if the Russian interests are ousted from the railway.

Reasons Against
In the second place the trouble at Hailar may be the recurrence of a Mongolian attempt to control the principality of Barga (of which Hailar is the capital), which has been a bone of contention between the Mongolian and Chinese authorities for years, resulting in fighting in September, 1928.

The talk of a Russian invasion of Mongolia is discounted by the fact that the Soviet has for a long time dominated Outer Mongolia.—Reuter.

Absence of Confirmation
Peking, Yesterday.

The foreign Consuls throughout Manchuria are silent, and there is no information from Chinese sources in Peking as to the alleged Soviet invasion of Manchuria, which is not credited.

A Tokyo message says no reports have been received there, either officially or unofficially, as to Russian activity in Mongolia or Manchuria.

General Horvath, head of the White Russian movement in the Far East, states that he has no information that Soviet forces have entered Manchuria.—Reuter.

Protest and Reply
Mukden, Yesterday.

The acting Soviet Consul at Mukden has protested verbally to General Chang Hsueh-liang regarding the recent raid on the Soviet Consulate at Harbin.

Chiang Hsueh-liang has replied that the action was justifiable by international law, as although the Consular officers enjoyed immunity from arrest under certain circumstances, this did not apply to criminal charges. Those arrested will be charged with conspiracy against the State, which is criminal.—Reuter.

BESIEGED CITY

MISSIONARIES HELD UP BY BANDITS

Hankow, Yesterday.
It is now learned that the missionary party seized at Shiehchen is confined within the city, which is still in the hands of bandits.

Other China Inland Mission missionaries in the vicinity are endeavouring to arrange for the release of the women and child, as a preliminary step, but hitherto have been unsuccessful.—Reuter.

[The captured party comprises Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weller, Mr. and Mrs. John Walker and child, and Miss Brook.]

TWO IN ONE

COMBINATION OF CHINESE MINISTRIES

Shanghai, Yesterday.
It is understood that the Ministries of Communications and Railways will shortly be amalgamated under Mr. Sun Fo (who has the Railways portfolio), while the Kweichowese, Mr. Wong Peh-chun (present Minister of Communications), may be appointed chairman of the Kweichow Government (in succession to the dismissed General Chow Sai-sing who sided with the Kwangsi "rebels" in the civil war).—Reuter.

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SOLDIER'S DEATH

DROWNED WHILE BATHING AT LAICHIKOK

FUNERAL TO-DAY

A sad drowning accident occurred yesterday, the unfortunate victim being a British soldier, Private H. Beck, of the 1st Battalion Somerset Light Infantry, stationed at the military camp at Shamshupo. Whilst he was bathing at the Laichikok beach he was seen to dive into the water. Soon afterward he apparently had an attack of cramp and disappeared under the water. His difficulty was not realised, however, those in the vicinity being under the impression that he was merely frolicking in the water.

It was not until some time later that alarm was caused by his extraordinary behaviour in the water, and then others went to his assistance. The unfortunate man was brought back to shore unconscious. Artificial respiration was immediately applied, but failed to revive the unfortunate man.

The Kowloon Fire Brigade was in the meantime telephoned for, an ambulance being immediately despatched. Private Beck was removed to the Kowloon Hospital. He was still showing signs of life on arrival, but died soon after admission.

The deceased, who was unmarried, was a native of Birmingham, and came to Hong Kong with his regiment this year. Much sympathy will be felt for his parents and other relatives at home.

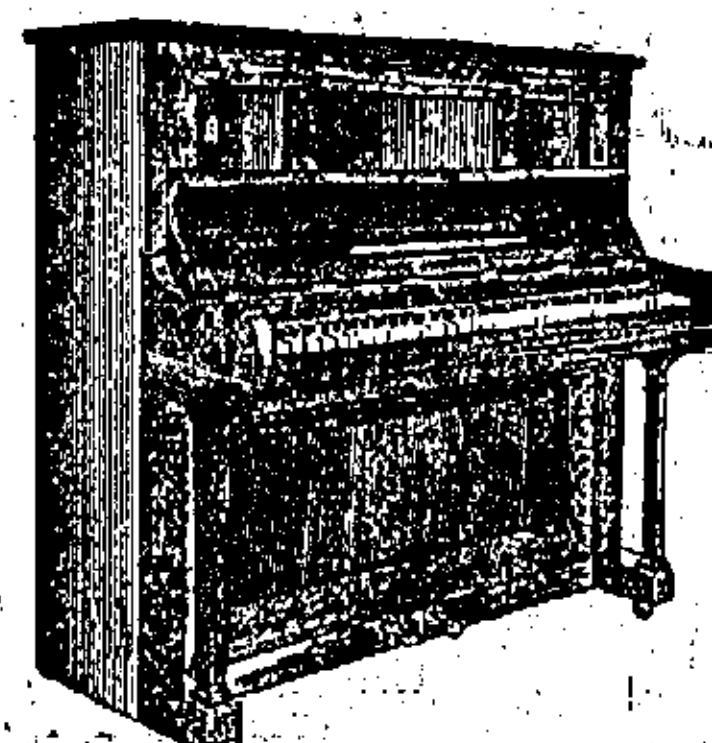
The funeral will take place this afternoon at 2.00 p.m. and a promise of £2,000 a year have been made by Mr. Isidore D. Morrison, a Jewish lawyer in New York, and an active Zionist, for the establishment of an Ophthalmic Institute at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

A campaign has been started in a section of the Nationalist Press of Berlin against the participation of Germany, Italy, and Japan in the "Jamboree" to be held in Britain during August. A good German attendance is assured, however.

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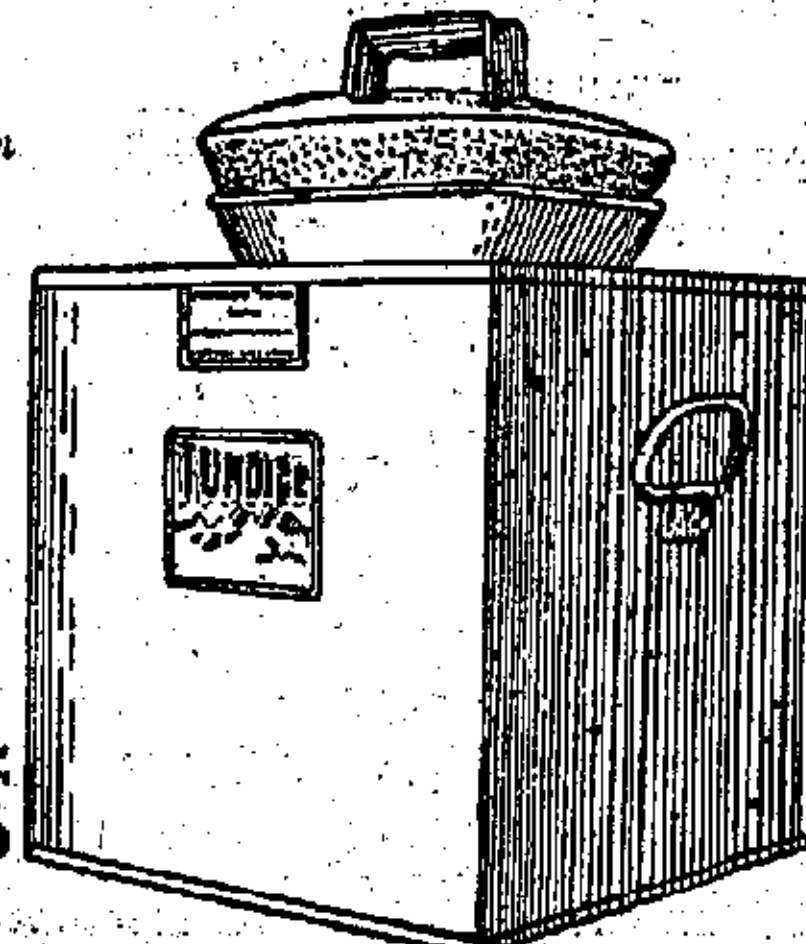
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PIANO PLAYING

LEAD IN MUSIC

Three blind girls from the Royal Normal College for the Blind, Upper Norwood, have achieved remarkable success in the Croydon Musical Festival.

Both in the singing and piano playing competitions for juniors, the blind children scored heavily over their competitors who had the advantage of sight.

In the singing competition, 15-year-old blind Dorothy Allen received a gold medal for taking first place out of 34 candidates.

In the pianoforte class for children under 16, Joan Hewlett not only took the first place but scored the highest marks of any pianoforte candidate in the festival. Another blind girl, Margaret Brand, won a bronze medal and took second place in this class.

"Blind musicians frequently play very correctly, but their expression is usually poor," Mr. Herbert Fryer, the pianoforte composer, who was one of the adjudicators, told a "Daily Chronicle" representative.

"In this case, however, the blind children played with real feeling, and in a most poetic manner."

At the recent examination of the Royal Academy of Music, Robert Savage, another student at the College, passed the Licentiate Examination as a teacher of pianoforte music.

"FASHION" QUEEN

WHAT MARIE ANTOINETTE
USED TO DO

Marie Antoinette! The very name conjures up visions resplendent with colour, luxury, and beauty. It brings to mind one of the most magnificent and extravagant epochs of history and also one of the saddest, heralding all the horrors of the French Revolution. But we are not thinking of horrors but of beauties. Let us turn to the brilliant "toilettes" of Marie Antoinette as Dauphine and Queen.

Accustomed to the austere court of Marie Theresa, Marie Antoinette lived a very simple and guarded life up to the time of her marriage with Louis XVI. when the chrysalis quickly changed into the butterfly, says the Countess Eileen de Arml in the "Daily Telegraph."

Favourite Colour
The most delicate yet very vivid shades, the elaborate, powdered hair (sometimes three feet in height), looking like mountains of snow, the widest of hoops, surmounted by spreading panniers of huge dimensions, became a perfect passion with her. Nothing was too extravagant, too gorgeous for this regal sovereign in those happy times in Paris and Versailles.

Green was her favourite colour, and stripes of green and white were worn. Brocade, silver and gold tissue, gigantic feathers which waved in the breeze, made up a picture difficult to realise in these prosaic days.
The portrait by Vigee Lebrun shows us Marie Antoinette in velvet and furs, wearing a headdress called a "pouf," surmounted by plumes and a diamond aigrette. The "pouf" became a prime favourite with her, and Rosa Bertin, the famous milliner of those days, was ordered to make these in different shades to match her dresses. Generally they were composed of velvet gauze and feathers. They lent height and dignity to the beautiful Queen.

There were a contrast to the costumes worn by her when she played at milkmaid in her miniature dairy in the sylvan glades of the Trianon, where her "one wish was to take refuge from all the ceremonious regulations which annoyed her." There she was dressed in flowered or spotted white muslin, with little rose-wreathed shepherdess hats perched on her powdered coiffure.

There is a list still in existence of dresses and hats worn by Marie Antoinette in the last years of the monarchy. It is as varied as it is dazzling. Orange velvet, green satin, trimmings of plumage of foreign birds, pink and violet taffeta, Turkish robes, striped moire, white gros de Naples embroidered with Reine Marguerites in silk.

The Black Robe
Here is a description of the toilette worn by Marie Antoinette at a fancy dress ball.

"The Queen was dressed in the costume of Gabrielle d'Estree—a black hat with large white feathers, a mass of heron's plumes, held by four diamonds, and a diamond band fastened with the diamond called 'Pitt'—worth two millions. A stomacher of diamonds—and a diamond belt over a dress of white silver gauze—powdered with paillettes and ruchings of gold studded with diamonds."

What a contrast to the one poor black robe she wore in the days of her imprisonment, or the plain linen gown in which she walked to the scaffold!

MOTOR CYCLING

SIX DAYS' TRIAL IN FIVE
COUNTRIES

PAST TRIUMPHS

Plans have just been completed for the 1929 Six Days' International Trial for motor-cycles, which this year is to be of exceptional interest.

For several years the trial has taken place in Britain and on every occasion British machines have triumphed.

This year the trial is organised by an International Federation.

It begins at Munich and finishes at Geneva, traversing some of the most picturesque districts in no less than five countries. It will be a demonstration to the world at large of the reliability of the modern motor-cycle.

The competitors will be despatched each morning in groups of three at minute intervals.

All the entries from one country will be arranged consecutively, so that spectators will see, for example, the Swedes headed by their

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national teams, then perhaps the British followed by the Austrians, and so on.

The Longest Test
Ridden continuously for 23 days, day and night, the British-built Dunett motor-cycle has now finished its high speed endurance test on the Montlhery track near Paris.

This track was selected, as all-night riding is not allowed at Brooklands. The machine altogether covered 15,800 laps of the track and a total of 25,000 miles, the greatest distance covered in one spell by a mechanically propelled vehicle.

The machine was a standard model 350cc. overhead valve Dunett selected from stock by the Auto-Cycle Union.

It was ridden by seven different riders in relays. The engine was not decarbonised once throughout the test and the oil consumption was 1,190 miles to the gallon.

Avon tyres were used and Shell oil. One tyre was changed at about 13,300 miles, not because of a puncture or burst but as a precaution. The front tyre covered the 25,000 miles.

The actual time occupied was 23 days, 2 hours and 9 minutes, and the average speed works out at 45.11 miles per hour, including all stops. This is highly creditable when it is understood that during the second week the riders were severely handicapped by fog and ice.

In France the test created the keenest interest, and the result will do much for the prestige of British engineering on the Continent.

CAR WAR

BETTER AND CHEAPER
PRODUCTS

"The British motor-car industry was never in a better position to meet the new United States challenge."

This view was expressed to a "Daily Mail" reporter by Mr. Reginald Rootes, a director of one of the greatest British motor-car selling organisations, with branches in all parts of the world. He was referring to the titanic battle which will be waged for the motor-car markets of Europe by Mr. Henry Ford, the "\$200,000,000 millionaire" and Mr. Alfred Sloan, president of the \$300,000,000 General Motors Corporation. Mr. Rootes said:

"In this country the motor-car industry is in a position to claim that it produces a commodity which is cheaper and in every way better than its pre-war equivalent."

There can, however, be no doubt that to the British car manufacturer the new state of affairs brought about by this strenuous competition from the United States represents a very serious menace. British manufacturers are given a glimpse of the competition which they will ultimately have to fight. It is up to them to shape their courses of production and management accordingly.

The have learned to build cars which will satisfy the world requirements, and in at least one province of car design we stand supreme. This is in the development of the small car.

Lessons Learnt

Then again, the British motor industry has not lost sight of certain lessons that have been taught it by its chief competitors. It has begun under the best auspices to develop six and eight cylinder cars that are rapidly engaging the attention of English-speaking users overseas.

Official figures testify that month after month the British manufacturer is taking a share in overseas trade. Strong as may be his future rivalry, he is now better equipped than ever to face his opponents.

EXCHANGES

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LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Yesterday.

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New York 4.85 13/16

Brussels 34.91

Geneva 25.205

Amsterdam 12.075

Milan 92.65

Berlin 20.335

Stockholm 18.12 1/16

Copenhagen 18.20

Oslo 18.19 1/2

Vienna 34.525

Prague 163 13/16

Helsingfors 193 1/2

Madrid 33.845

Lisbon 108 1/2

Athens 374 1/2

Bucharest 818

Rio 5 1/2

Buenos Aires 47 5/8

Bombay 1/5 13/16

Shanghai 2/4 1/4

Hong Kong 1/10 1/2

Yokohama 1/9 3/4

Silver Spot 24 7/16

Silver Forward 24 1/2

—British Wireless Service.

U.S. LAWYERS

"LESSON" ON HOW TO GIVE
EVIDENCE

INQUIRY SURPRISE

A remarkable story of what happened during his visit to the office of two American lawyers on the day before the "Little Inquiry" in America into the loss of the "Vestris" was made by Mr. Leslie Watson, second officer, at the Board of Trade inquiry in London recently.

"Did the lawyers mention anything that they did not want to come out and was not to be said?" asked Mr. W. N. Rasmussen, K.C., for the Board of Trade.

"Well, we were telling them everything that had happened," was the reply, "and anything they did not like to hear they said, 'Do not bother saying that,' or 'Put it some other way.'" At the inquiry he was questioned by Mr. Tuttle, but neither of the lawyers asked him any questions.

The ship failed to steer on the day after the voyage started, said Mr. Watson. There was nothing serious about that. She had a list of five to seven degrees.

She sank owing to a combination of circumstances, he added. Mr. T. Scanlan, (for the National Union of Seamen): Is one of the circumstances that she was overloaded?—Yes, that has a lot to do with it.

Mr. Aspinall, K.C., the president, said that they had gone very thoroughly into the question of overloading, but the question which occupied the mind of the Court very much was that of stability.

Mr. Nathaniel C. Webb, of Messrs. Hogan and Sons, stevedores, New York, said no plan was prepared in advance showing in detail the weight going into the ship and its proposed distribution. The forward and aft trunks of the "Vestris" each carried 40 tons of coal.

The loading of the coal in the holds would lessen her stability. The "Vestris" was down to her marks between 3 and 4 o'clock on the morning of the day she sailed, and loading finished at 9.30 in the afternoon.

Mr. Aspinall: Do you think the lack of stability had anything to do with her loss?—It is my opinion that it had not.

The inquiry was adjourned.

The Naples Congress of the Union of International Communications, which is attended by delegates of all the principal railways in Europe and Asia, proposes to draw up uniform regulations regarding railway traffic and control.

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Sport Columns

DAVIS CUP TENNIS

BRITAIN PLAYS IN ZONE SEMI-FINAL

ONE ALL WITH HUNGARY

Budapest, Yesterday. Hungary and Britain are meeting in one of the semi-finals of the European zone of the Davis Cup lawn tennis competition.

Kehring beat Gregory of Britain by 5-7, 7-5, 6-2, 6-3; but H. W. Austin (Britain) beat Takacs 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

[Note: Two more singles and one doubles match have to be played.]

Eastbourne Results

London, Yesterday. At Eastbourne, in a match between Britons and Americans, the first day's results were—

Hennessey (U.S.A.) beat W. Powell (Britain) 7-5, 5-7, 6-1, 5-7, 6-2.

Van Ryn (U.S.A.) beat Lester (Britain) 6-3, 6-1, 6-0.—Reuter.

C.R.C. BEAT ROYAL ENGINEERS AND SIGNALLERS

In the "B" Division, the Chinese Recreation Club defeated the Royal Engineers and Signallers by nine sets to love.

HONG DOUBLES

O. E. C. Marton and H. J. Armstrong (Deacons)—owe 15—qualified for the second round of the Hong Doubles Tournament yesterday by beating V. W. L. Stanton and G. E. Horridge (Imperial Chemical Industries)—score by 6-0, 6-1.

SOUTH AFRICAN TENNIS PLAYER INJURED

Those very popular South African lawn tennis players, who are now amongst us have already had varying experiences, writes the "Sporting Life" tennis correspondent. In the first place Miss E. L. Heine, the nineteen-year-old girl, has won the Women's Hard-Court Championship of Great Britain—this is the first time the honour has gone to South Africa—while Mrs. Neave has had the misfortune to suffer a rather severe accident.

She was leaving the court after taking part in the same championship, when a spectator, jumping from the grandstand, fell on her, and so badly injured a foot that she may not be able to play at Wimbledon. To come all the way from South Africa to meet with such an accident is, indeed, the height of misfortune.

PHYSICAL CULTURE

BREAKING OF WORLD'S RECORDS CLAIMED

At the Chung Hwa Theatre Hall, Kuala Lumpur, the Selangor Health and Strength Association held a physical culture display in aid of the Association's building fund.

Included in the programme were feats of strength by the "Indian Hercules" A. Ponnadural, Khaw Bian Huat and Ooi Leong-Tek, juggling of weights, defence for ladies, gymnastics, muscle control, etc., by members, while two wrestling contests in the catch-as-catch-can style, between Chan Yoon-lum (10st. 5 lb.) and Koh Kwai-shun (11 st.), and Ang Siew-ann and Indian Panny (both of the 9 st. class) were highly interesting.

In the first bout, Chan Yoon-lum secured the first fall in 4 mins. 14 secs., thus winning the gold medal presented by Capt. A. O. Wilson, and Koh Kwai-shun received the silver medal given by Mr. Navanathan. In the second contest Ang Siew-ann threw Indian Panny in the first minute, winning the gold-centre medal presented by the Association.

The house was amazed by the remarkable performance of Ooi Leong-tek, of Penang, who is said to have broken the British and World's weight-lifting records in the 9 st. class. His lifts were: Right hand—clean and jerk, 164 5/6 lb. and right hand snatch 130 2/3 lb. The present official world's record in the first mentioned lift is 162 1/2 lb., held by Mr. A. E. Wilson, of the famous Camberwell Weight Lifting Club, London. The record for the other lift is 125 1/4 lb., a British record, and

SENIOR T.T.

DODSON ON SUNBEAM WINS EASILY

VERY FAST TIME

London, Yesterday. At Douglas, the Senior Tourist Trophy was won by C. Dodson, on a Sunbeam, his time for the 254 miles course on the Isle of Man, being 3 hours, 39 mins. 59 secs.

A. Bennett, also on a Sunbeam, was second, being only a matter of 3 minutes behind the winner. His time was



3 hours, 44 mins. 47 secs. H. Tyrell-Smith, on a Rudge Whitworth, was third in 3 hours 44 mins. 37 secs.

Winner Repeats Success

Averaging 72.05 miles per hour, Dodson won rather easily, and his success is made all the more noteworthy in that he won last year, his mount in that race being also a Sunbeam. The course then was very wet and he won with an average speed of about 63 miles per hour.

BUD WALLEY WINS

Bud Walley, of Singapore, scored a notable victory at the Ring on May 12, when he compelled Sandy McEwan, of Aberdeen, to retire in the ninth round.

The "Star" commenting on the fight, says:

Bud Walley, the flyweight visitor from Singapore, proved too good for Sandy McEwan, of Aberdeen, who retired at The Ring. The Scot appeared to be a useful lad, but he was overwhelmed by Walley's persistent attack. Walley fought in rapid fashion, delivering his punches with judgment, and in the fourth round he cut the Scot's right eye. McEwan then endeavored to force the pace, but Walley was his master, and so distressed was McEwan that he retired at the end of the ninth round.

Boxing says: "Bud Walley, as usual, went off at top speed and soon had the Scot covering up. Flashing in blows from every angle, the little lad from Singapore took each of the three opening rounds. McEwan opened out in the fourth and about held his own till a left hook opened a cut over the Scot's eye. This worried Sandy, but he fought back gamely despite the flow of blood, for a couple of rounds. Walley, however, was so persistent in his attacks that McEwan's strength became exhausted and his defeat evident. He stuck it till the ninth, but as his chance was then clearly hopeless and his stamina practically gone, he wisely retired.

Walley's manager writes: "Bud has certainly found his form now, and I expect him to do very well in future. By his victory he has earned a contest with Ernie Jarvis, who gave Johnny Hill a hard fight a month ago, and also fought a draw with Izzy Schwartz the fly-weight champion of the world."

is held by Mr. Wilfred Sayer of Reading, England.

Mr. Row Sourajah, a prominent lifter of Selangor, officiated as referee, while the League District Officer, Mr. Wong Hoi-onn, was judge. Messrs. Chua Kim-seng and Teh Sim-chuan acted as inspectors of scales, and Messrs. Tan Khian-tek and Young Skewyen were loaders. Mr. C. Hanigan, J.P., Commissioner of Police, P.M.S., witnessed as to the accuracy of the weights of the barbell and that of the lifter.

Mr. A. Ponnadural concluded the display by letting a motor-car, containing four passengers, pass over his body.

CHITS ON THE "TOTE"

SCHEME FOR RACECOURSES AT HOME

BETTING WITHOUT "CASH"

London, Yesterday. The advent of the totalisator on English racecourses will bring with it a new scheme which will enable racegoers to attend meetings without carrying large sums of money. Big banks have agreed with the Racecourse Betting Control Board to issue to their customers books of chits of denominations varying from 21 to 4100 which can be handed to a totalisator clerk instead of cash. Winnings on such chits will be automatically credited to the banking account of the owner.—British Wireless Service.

ARMY STORES

GROCER AND ALLEGED STOLEN PROPERTY

TEA AND PRESERVED MEAT

A Chinese grocer of No. 13, Des Vaux-road West, was yesterday afternoon charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with the unlawful possession of 156 pounds of Ceylon tea and 120 tins of preserved meat which were alleged to be stolen property and formed part of a lot of 847 pounds of tea and 20 cases of preserved meat which were recently stolen from the Royal Army Service Corps' Supply Depot in Queen's-road East.

In connection with this loss, Private Bowles, R.A.S.C., the storekeeper, is stated to be under open arrest by the Military authorities.

Mr. Lo d'Almeida, sen., appeared for the defence of the shopkeeper and entered a plea of "not guilty."

Capt. W. H. Williams, R.A.S.C., and a Chinese detective gave evidence, and the case was adjourned until Friday next.

LOCAL TENDERS

ACCEPTANCES ANNOUNCED IN "GAZETTE"

It is notified in the "Gazette" that the following tenders have been accepted by the Hong Kong Government:

Standard Oil Co. of New York for motor spirit: in tins of 4 gallons at \$3.27 per unit.

Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd., for motor spirit: in S.C. drums at \$0.39 per imperial gallon; in bulk ex tank at \$0.39 per imperial gallon.

Messrs. Un Ng-tsung \$29,870 for the construction of road from Causeway Bay to Quarry Bay—centre section opposite M.L. 430 to cable house.

WATER SHORTAGE

(Continued from Page 1.)

The s.s. "Mirzapore," it is said, can bring 2,000 tons water at the most and most of the other ships 500 tons.

THE C.P.R.

The "Empress of Russia," which is expected here on Monday, will bring 500 tons. This company has only three boats on the run, and as passenger ships they cannot spare much. However, the company hope to get what they can both from Shanghai and Manila.

B. & S.

The s.s. "Protesilaus" has brought 1,000 tons from Japan. Another 700 tons is expected by the s.s. "Cyclops" from Shanghai. These Blue Funnel liners can bring a good deal of water and the company is giving whole hearted support to the Government.

THE C.N.C.

Two supplies a week from Shanghai is expected from steamers operated by this Company. The "Sunning" is bringing 400 tons to-morrow.

Jardine Matheson, and Others. Similar arrangements have been made by Messrs. Jardine Matheson, and Co., The Douglas Steamship Co., and the Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Other Supplies

The President Adams, of the Dollar Line, is bringing 350 tons to-day, and on Monday, the s.s. "Hansgang" will bring in another 400 tons.

Shanghai's Help

It is reported that the Shanghai Waterworks are giving their utmost help to the Government here and that the transport of water can be accomplished without difficulty.

FREEDOM OF SEAS

GENERAL DAWES'S TALK WITH PREMIER

A "LOGICAL SOLUTION"

Washington, Yesterday.

The freedom of the seas is the most important item to be discussed between General Dawes and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald according to White House circles, where the opinion is expressed that a logical solution would be to divide the hemispheres, with the Atlantic as the boundary. Great Britain's sphere to be Europe and Africa, with the United States undertaking not to interfere with Great Britain's obligations under the League Covenant; America's sphere to be the Western world with Great Britain undertaking not to interfere with the United States obligations under the Monroe doctrine while the problem of the Pacific would be disposed of by the agreement between Great Britain, the United States, Japan and France signed at Washington in 1921.—Reuter's American Service.

Dawes Silent

London, Yesterday. General Dawes, the new American Ambassador to London, arrived at Southampton this afternoon in the White Star liner "Olympic." He declined to make any statement upon international matters.—British Wireless Service.

A Dash to Scotland

London, Yesterday.

The importance of the conversation between General Dawes and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is shown by the fact that the Ambassador will present his credentials to King George at Windsor Castle to-morrow and depart the same night on the journey to Scotland to meet Mr. MacDonald, with whom he will confer during lunch on Sunday. He will dash back to London by the night train on Sunday.

It is believed that General Dawes bears from President Hoover a formal invitation to Mr. MacDonald to visit Washington this summer with a view to initiating a new move in the direction of disarmament.—Reuter.

AFRICAN ELECTION

FINAL STATE OF THE POLL ANNOUNCED

Capetown, Yesterday.

The Nationalists have secured a clear majority over all parties. The Nationalist Press mouth-piece puts this finally at 10, while the South African Party admits eight.

The predominating question now is whether General Hertzog will



General Hertzog

form a solely Nationalist Government or renew the co-operation with the Labourites in the Cresswell Party.

Final State of Parties:

Nationalists 10
South Africans 8
Cresswell Labourites 5
National Council 3

Total 155

—Reuter.

WATER SUPPLY

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on June 1, 1929.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

	1928	1929
Tytam	Level 30' 5" B	Level 27' 6" B
Tytam Byewash	Level 59' 8" B	Level 59' 8" B
Tytam Intermediate	Level 10' 7" B	Level 98' 11" B
Tytam Tuk	Level 40' 1" B	Level 40' 1" B
Wong Nei Chung	Level 38' 8" B	Level 38' 8" B
Fokfulum	Level 38' 8" B	Level 38' 8" B
[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow". A. denotes "Above Overflow". L. denotes "Level with Overflow".]		
Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.	1928	1929
Tytam	384.30	178.50
Tytam Byewash	22.37	.11
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	10.02
Tytam Tuk	1,171.15	43.42
Wong Nei Chung	30.34	.68
Fokfulum	60.00	4.42

Total 1,870.56 135.45

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1928	1929
Consumption	338.30	139.21*
Estimated population	422,240	432,560
Consumption per head per day	17.8	10.4

* Includes 2.19 m.g. from Taikee Refinery Dam & 8.24 m.g. from Kowloon.

Intermittent Supply in all Rider Main Districts during May 1928. In 1928, Principal Main Supply shut off from 6 p.m.—5 a.m. May 1—27 inclusive. From May 28—31 inclusive the hours of supply from the Principal Mains were 6—10 a.m. & 3—6 p.m.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir .. 10' 1" B	43' 1" B	43' 1" B
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir .. 2' 6" B	33' 3" B	33' 3" B
Reception Reservoir .. 4' 5" B	4' 5" B	4' 5" B
Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir ..	351.63	49.00
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir ..	106.02	18.45
Reception Reservoir ..	33.15	22.00

Total 490.80 89.45

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1928	1929
Consumption	107.15	84.78*
Estimated population	165,280	170,320
Consumption per head per day	20.9	18.0

* Does not include water sent to Hong Kong.

Fall Supply in all districts during May 1928. During the whole month of May 1929, the supply was shut off nightly from 6 p.m.—5 a.m.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to May 31, 1928, 33.15; May 31, 1929, 10.18.

COTTON TRADE

LORD DERBY SUMS UP THE SITUATION

London, Yesterday. Another depressing year for the cotton trade was declared by Lord Derby, presiding at the annual meeting of the British Cotton-Growing Association in Manchester. He pointed out, however, that the Association had emerged with a surplus.

Reviewing the year all over the world, Lord Derby said that the record was—

Progress generally in India; great strides in Uganda; a record output in Tanganyika; the best crop since 1925 in Nyassaland; a notable increase in the production of Iraq; a larger crop than had been expected in Australia; what was believed to be a setback, but only temporary, in Sudan; but the crop had not realized expectations in South Africa.—Reuter

TANK EXPLOSION

FATALITIES IN A DRY DOCK

New York, Yesterday. Three persons were killed and seven were injured in an explosion in a Brooklyn dry dock, apparently, as the result of a leakage of oil from a tanker.

The material damage was very slight indeed.—Reuter's American Service.

GLOUCESTER ROAD

A number of changes in names of streets is published in the "Government Gazette."

"Gloucester Road" (in honour of the Duke of Gloucester's recent visit) is given to the road commencing at the north-east boundary of the Royal Naval Arsenal Yard, being the new Praya and running parallel with Lockhart-road, terminating at its junction with Percival-street.

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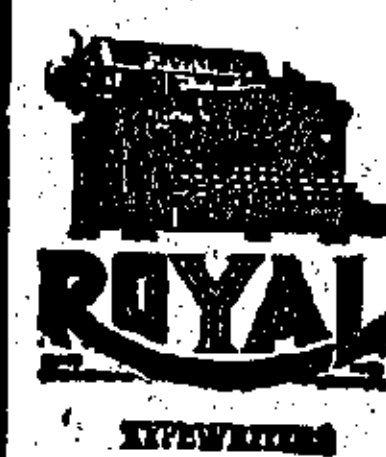
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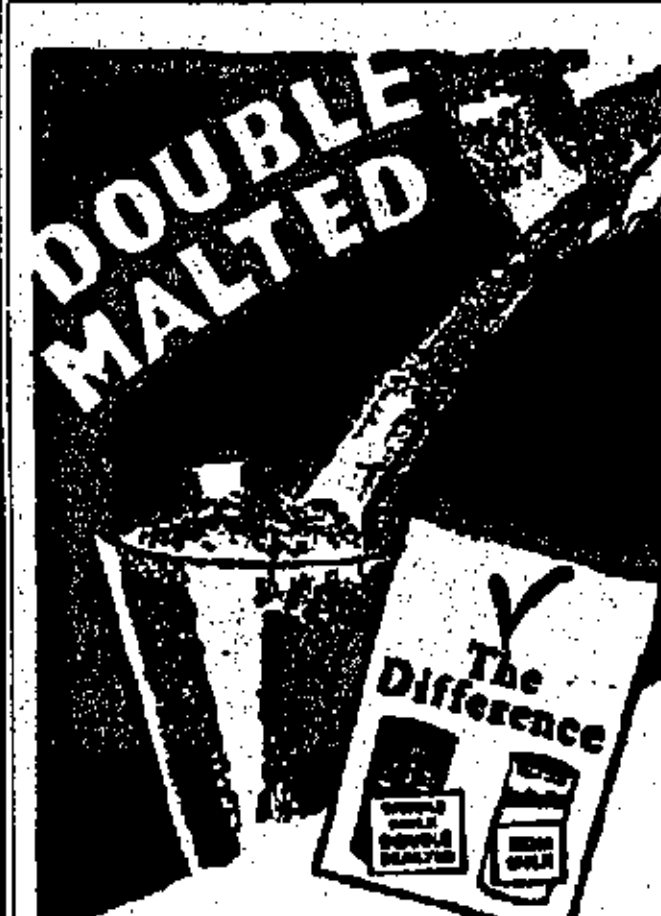
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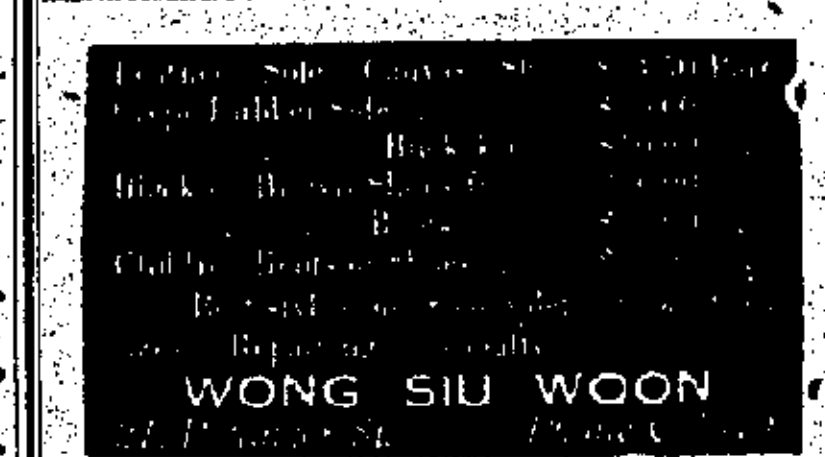
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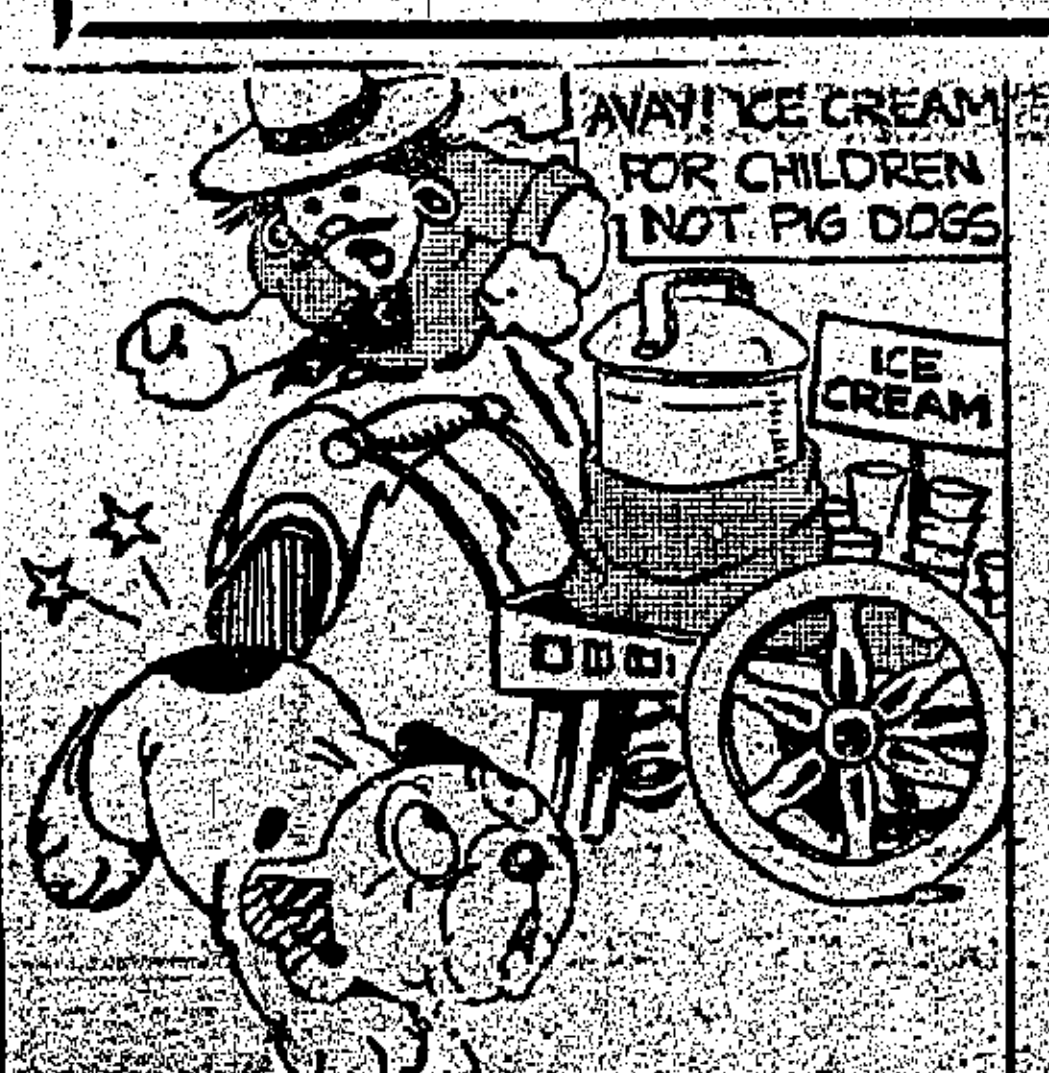
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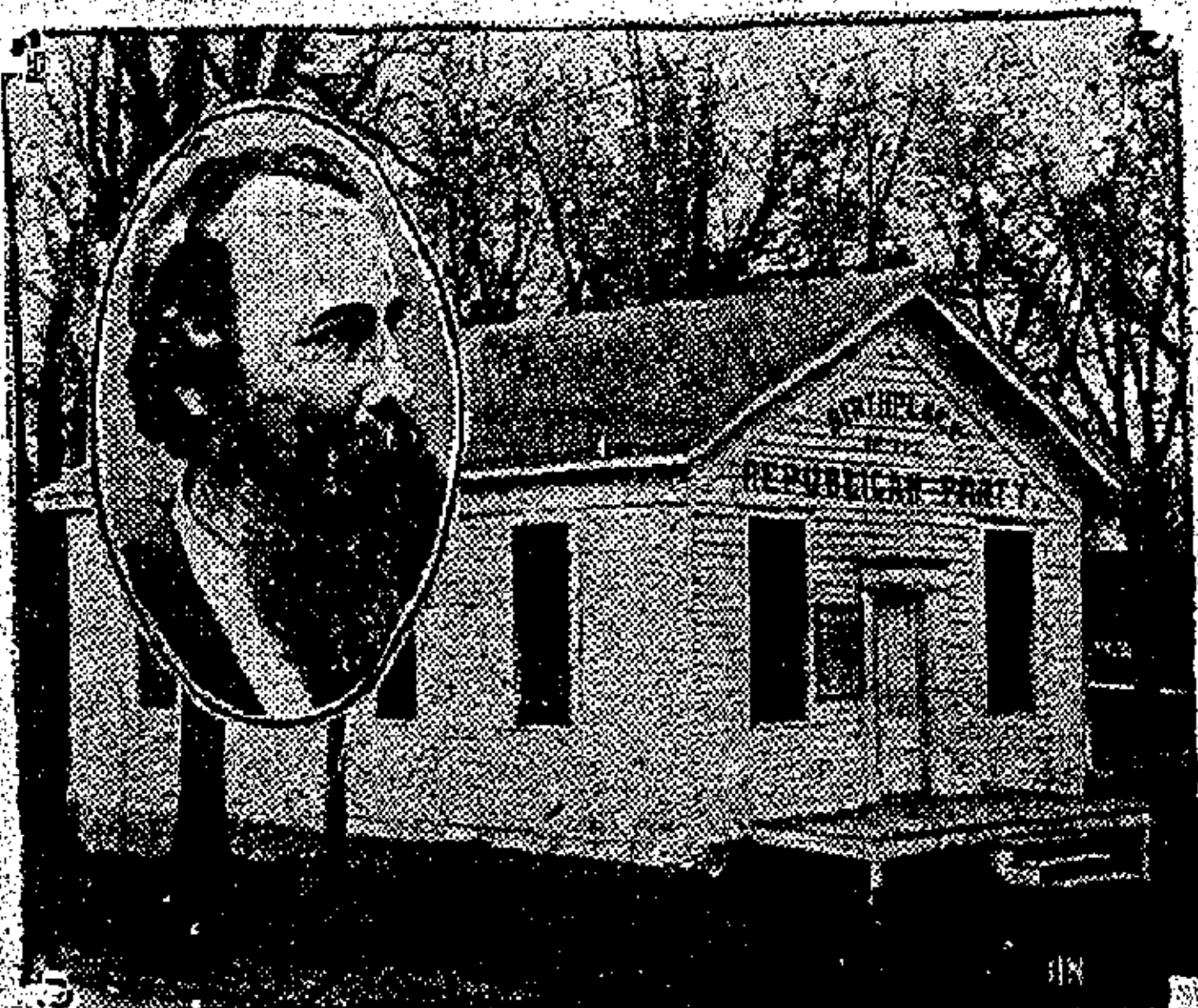
Pope's First Public Appearance.—His Holiness Pope Pius XI blesses 30,000 Alpine troops from the balcony of the Vatican Palace in the first public appearance of His Holiness since the creation of the Papal State.



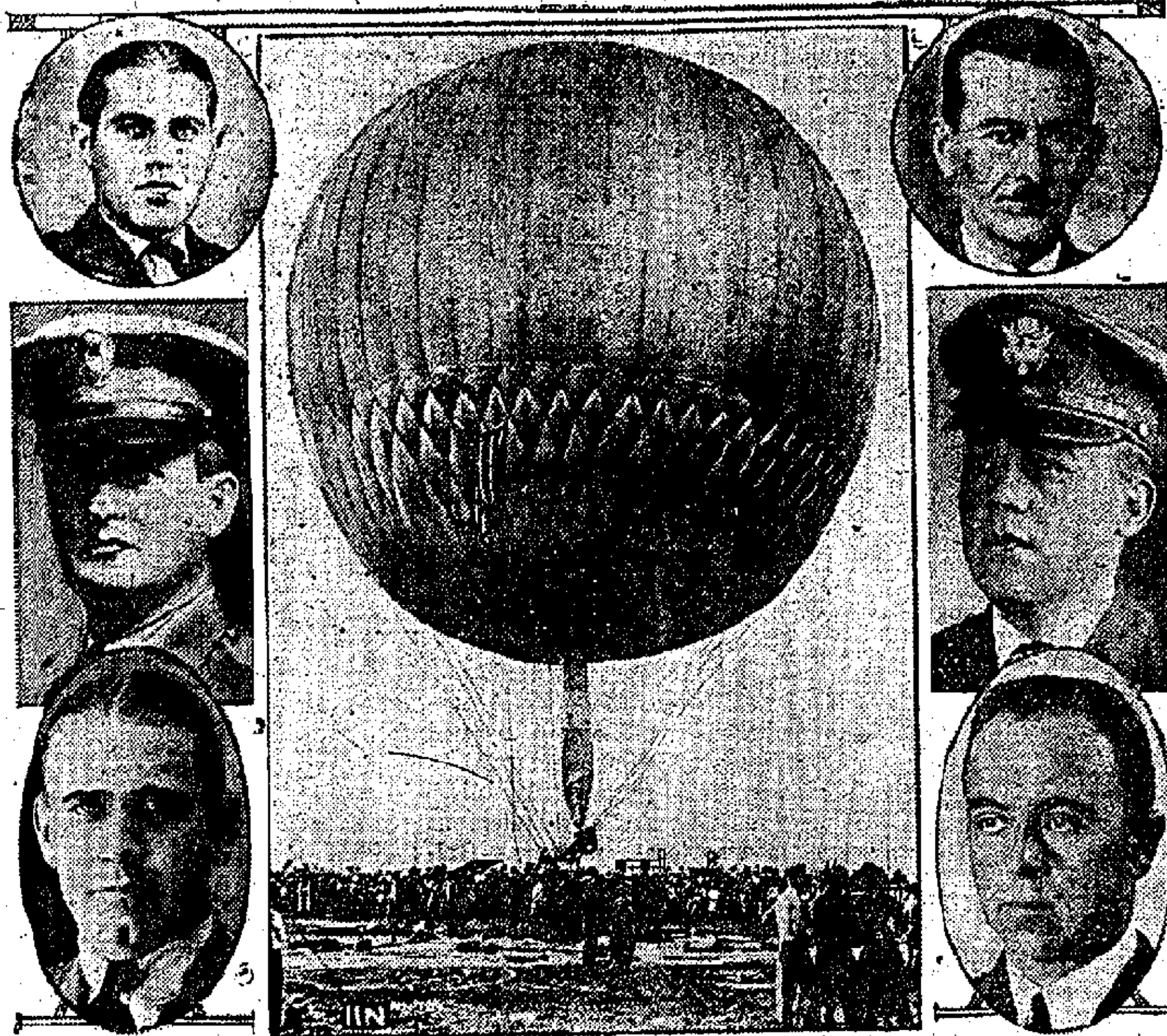
The Indian "chirrito," consisting of two drums and a flute, which formed part of the personal escort to the square boat of Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow and his family when they took part in the annual Mexican flower festival heralding the arrival of spring on the historic Santa Anita canal near Mexico City, Mexico. The festival attracted thousands of persons and was held in spite of the revolution raging in their country.



A queer sight during the remarkable salvaging of the German battleship "Kaiser," one of the ships which was scuttled just after the Great War at Scapa Flow. The diver is bringing up a horn from the ship's orchestra.



G.O.P.'s Dedicated Birthplace.—This little white schoolhouse in Ripon, Wisconsin, was officially dedicated as the Republican Party's shrine, on June 8, as it was here that the G.O.P. was founded seventy-five years ago. Inset, Alvan Earl Borah, whose memory will be honored as the founder of the party, at the birthday celebration to take place in the little white house.



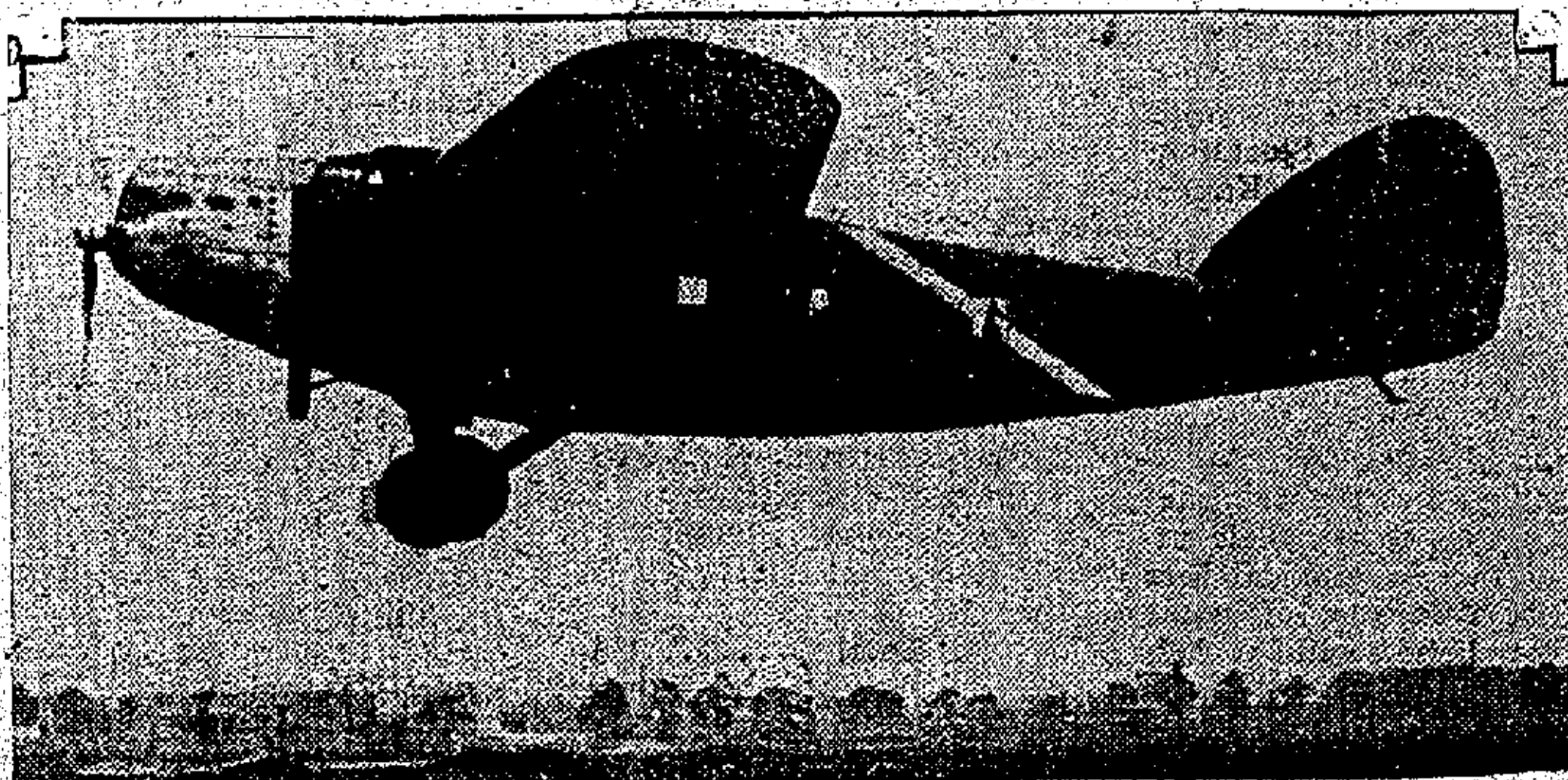
Preparations are rapidly going forward for the annual race for the James Gordon Bennett trophy. Above is a photo of the type of balloon to be entered by the U.S. Army in the annual competition. Among the Army officers who will fly balloons in the event are: Left, reading down — Lieut. L. A. Lawson, Capt. Wm. J. Flood, Capt. Edmund Hill, and, right, reading down: Lieut. E. M. Fogelsonger, Lieut. Robert S. Heald and Lieut. Uzal G. Ent.



And Then He Slipped.—For wars without even as much as a scratch is the unique record of Major-General Wendell C. Neville, commandant of the Marine Corps, but his bathtub was his Waterloo. The commandant lies in the naval hospital at Washington, nursing a fractured rib, which he suffered when he slipped and fell in his bathtub.



Governor's Son Betrothed.—The engagement of James Roosevelt, above, son of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, of New York, and Miss Betsy Cushing, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Cushing, of Brookline, Mass., has just been announced. No date has been set for the wedding. Young Roosevelt is a junior at Harvard.



Ready to Break Lindy's Record.—Three French aviators, left to right, Rene Lefevre, Armand Lotti and Jean Amoult, have left Old Orchard, Maine, on a flight to Paris in the "Yellow Bird." They expect to make the flight in three hours less time than Colonel Lindbergh.

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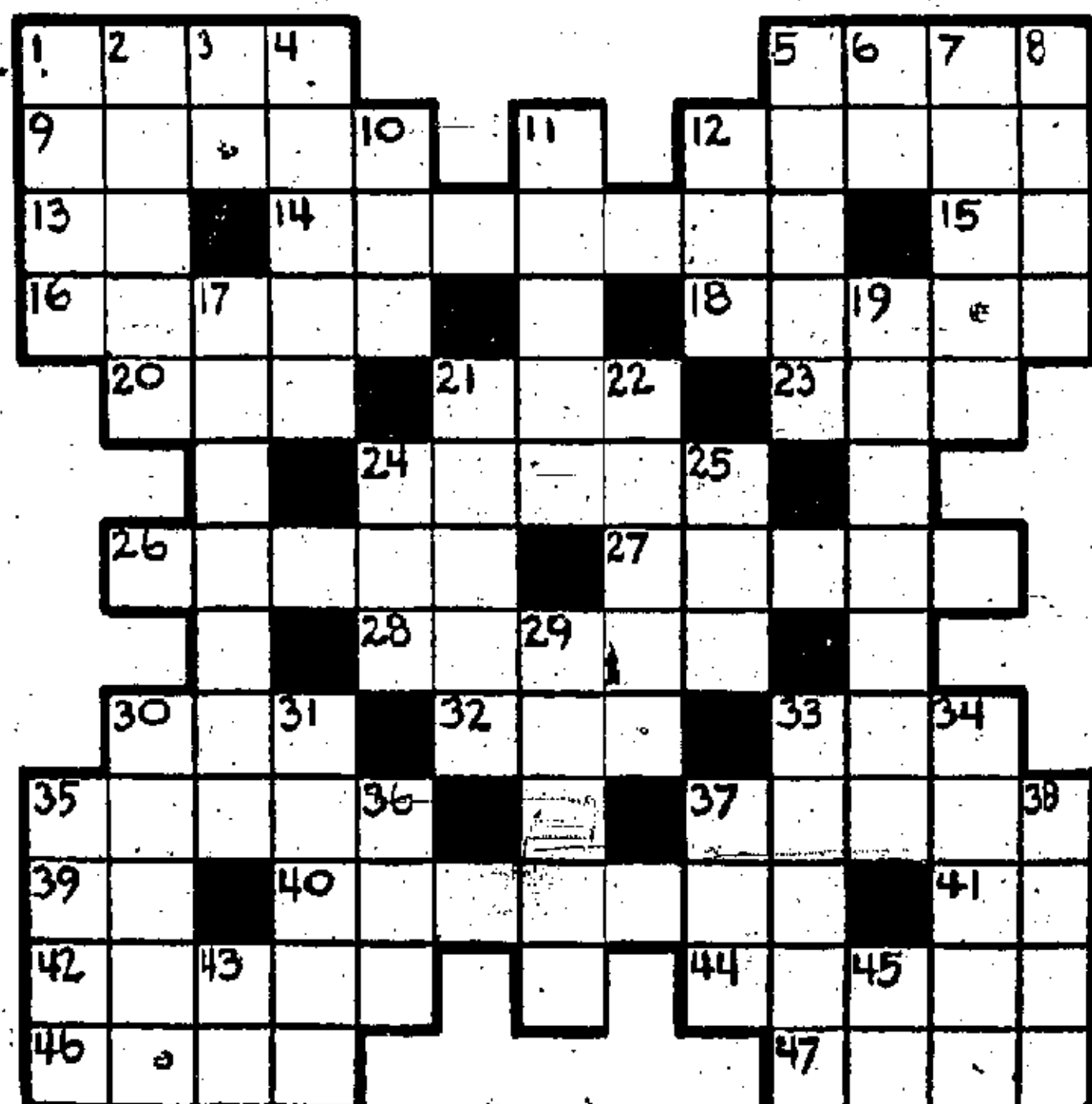
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, picnic, and alto.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Cloth
5-To obliterate
9-Tapestry
12-Made of oat grain or oatmeal
13-For insano (abbr.)
14-For insano (abbr.)
15-Behold
16-Woman (French)
17-Tapestry
20-To express in words
21-To sup
23-Anger
24-A lance
26-Partaining to the Pope
27-Turns up the earth with the input, as swine
28-Hazy
30-A Japanese coin
32-Personal pronoun
33-Malt liquor
35-Precipitous

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

37-Any of various palms yielding the betel nut (abbr.)
38-N. Con. State (abbr.)
40-To eat
41-Roman number
42-Bottom of a room
43-A marine growth
44-Decades
47-Rodent (pl.)

VERTICAL

1-A barbed spear or hook used in securing heavy fish
2-A constellation, the ram
3-Railroad (abbr.)
4-Flighty
5-Sultanate, N. Fr.
6-Equatorial Africa
7-Pronoun
8-Upon
9-Egyptian sun-god

VERTICAL (Cont.)

8-Sun of Seth
10-To observe
11-Girl's name
12-Worthless leaving
17-A marine mammal
19-To graze
21-To tear
22-A detachment, as of troops
24-Short for Samuel
25-Min's name
29-A arrow
30-Old
31-A Roman historian
33-Pining for war
34-Orientation
35-To pass through a sieve
36-Prefix. Through
37-Part of a circle
38-Troubles
43-Upon
45-Egyptian sun-god

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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Altogether, it should prove to be a most acceptable little book, and, published at the nimbler dollar, there ought to be no doubt as to its commanding a very ready sale.

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There will be satisfaction in literary circles that the Femina Vie Heureuse Prize for 1928-29 has gone to that finished craftsman, Mr. H. M. Tomlinson, for his first novel, "Gallions Reach." There is not much in the money value of the prize—£40—but it carries with it the recognition of rare and distinguished work.

Mr. Tomlinson, who began his career in Fleetstreet a generation ago, has been slow in coming into his own. But for many years he has enjoyed a vogue among discriminating people for books which have captured the atmosphere of the remote lands and seas which he has traversed.

If he shows the influence of Conrad, he shows also the effect of his early environment of ships and sailors in Poplar. It was there as a boy that he saw the renowned tea clipper "Catty Sark" and her captain, who signalled a record run from Sydney to London by giving out of her masts a golden rooster.

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S. LACK, Superintendent.
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PUBLISHER SHARKS

PREYING ON YOUNG WRITERS OVERSEAS

Says the "Daily Mail":—

The disreputable publisher has extended his activities to the Dominions, and he is reaping an even bigger harvest from young overseas authors than he is from misguided writers in this country.

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A Black List

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The Society of Authors and Composers has a black list of such publishers, and members are warned against them. There are only a few of these sharks, but they cause an incredible amount of disappointment and misery among "amateur novelists." The secretary of the society said:

We find great difficulty in helping people who have got into the clutches of these publishers, because they have usually already entered into contracts. These publishers are careful to see that they keep within the law. One firm which has started advertising in newspapers in the Dominions has caught a large number of would-be authors.

The only advice I can give young authors is to join this society and benefit by the advice we can give only to members, or to make careful inquiries before entering into a contract with a firm.

The secretary of the Publishers' Association agreed that anyone who has a book for publication should make every effort to find out the character of a publisher he thinks of dealing with. "It is quite easily done," he said. "A reputable publisher will soon tell an author if a book is likely to sell or not."

FOR CHILDREN

BOOK "JUGGLING TRICKS" DENOUNCED

Librarians interviewed agreed with the view of Mr. C. R. Sanderson, expressed at a meeting of librarians in London recently, that too little was done for children in reading centres.

Mr. Sanderson had said: "We are in a position to say to the children, 'Come to us for your reading.' But taking the country broadly, what do they get? A few juggling tricks with books and a certain amount of soap window-dressing."

Mr. Berwick Sayen (Librarian of Croydon) said: "Outside London the number of British cities and towns with proper libraries for children, specially staffed, is only about a dozen, and certainly not more than twenty. It is not from any lack of ideas or keenness among librarians. It is lack of money."

Mr. G. Keeling, secretary of the Library Association, said that American cities spent far more on libraries than was usual in Britain. "Librarians are doing all they can," he said.

(Continued at foot of Next Column.)

"KITCHEN POETRY"

THAT WAS ADMIRRED BY J. D. ROCKEFELLER POET

THE POEM'S AUTHORSHIP

Not a British servant girl, to whom Mr. John D. Rockefeller attributed the authorship of the poem which he distributed at Lakewood, N. J., but a young British author of some note, Cecily Hallack, penned the stanzas which caught Mr. Rockefeller's fancy, if an account of its history published in the "Daily Chronicle" is correct. The author, who had previously written "Beardless Counsellors" and "Candlelight Attic," according to this account, composed the poem as a message to a girl friend who complained that domestic drudgery was spoiling her hands for violin playing. It was written eight years ago.

"A typewritten copy of the poem, without the name of the author attached, was dropped into the letter-box of a clergyman," the explanation continued. "This led to three verses of it being published in the 'Home Missioner,' where it was seen by a maid in service in the Midlands. So perfectly did it express her own ideals that she dreamed she had composed it herself."

"As the work of a servant of 19 years of age, it found its way into the hands of a noted London preacher who quoted it in a lecture and caused it to be printed in his magazine."

The "noted London preacher" is presumably by Dr. G. Campbell Morgan, who is known to have read such a poem at a service in the Summer of 1928 at Westminster Chapel, London. "The Westminster Record" also printed the poem above the initials "M. K. H."

The three stanzas thus published are these printed on the cards which Mr. Rockefeller handed out to members of the Lakewood Church congregation. According to the quoted account in the "Literary Digest," however, there were seven stanzas in the original poem which the author has now caused to be published in full under the title, "The Divine Office of the Kitchen."

The Poem

The poem as now ascribed to Cecily Hallack follows:—

Lord of the pot and pipkins, stifle
I have not time to be
A saint by doing things and vigil-
ing with Thee.

By watching in the twilight dawn
and storming heaven's gates,
Make me a saint by getting meals
and washing up the plates.

Lord of the pots and pipkins,
please, I offer Thee for sores
The tiresomeness of tea leaves and
the sticky porridge bowls.

Remind me of the things I need,
not just to save the stairs,
But so that I may perfectly lay
tables into prayers.

Accept my roughened hands be-
cause I made them so for thee.
Pretend my dimop is a bow, which
heavenly harmony
Makes on a fiddle frying pan; it is
so hard to clean.

And oh, so horrid! Hear, dear
Lord the music I mean.

Although I must have Martha's
hands, I have a Mary mind.
And when I black the tools, I try
Thy sandals, Lord, to find.
I think of how they trod our earth,
what time I scrub the floor,
Accept this meditation, when I
haven't time for more.

Vespers and Compline come to pass
by watching supper things
And, mostly, I am very tired; and
all the heart that sings
about the morning's work, is gone,
before me, into bed.

Lord, dear Lord, Thy tireless
heart to work in me instead.

My hands are said overnight to
praise and bless Thy name.
Beforehand for to-morrow's work,
which will be just the same,
So that it seems I go to bed still in
my working dress.

Lord, make Thy Cinderella soon a
heavenly Princess.

Warm all the kitchen with Thy love
and light it with Thy peace.
Forgive the worrying and make the
grumbling words to cease.
Lord, who had laid breakfast on the
shore forgive the world which
saith
"Can any good thing come to God
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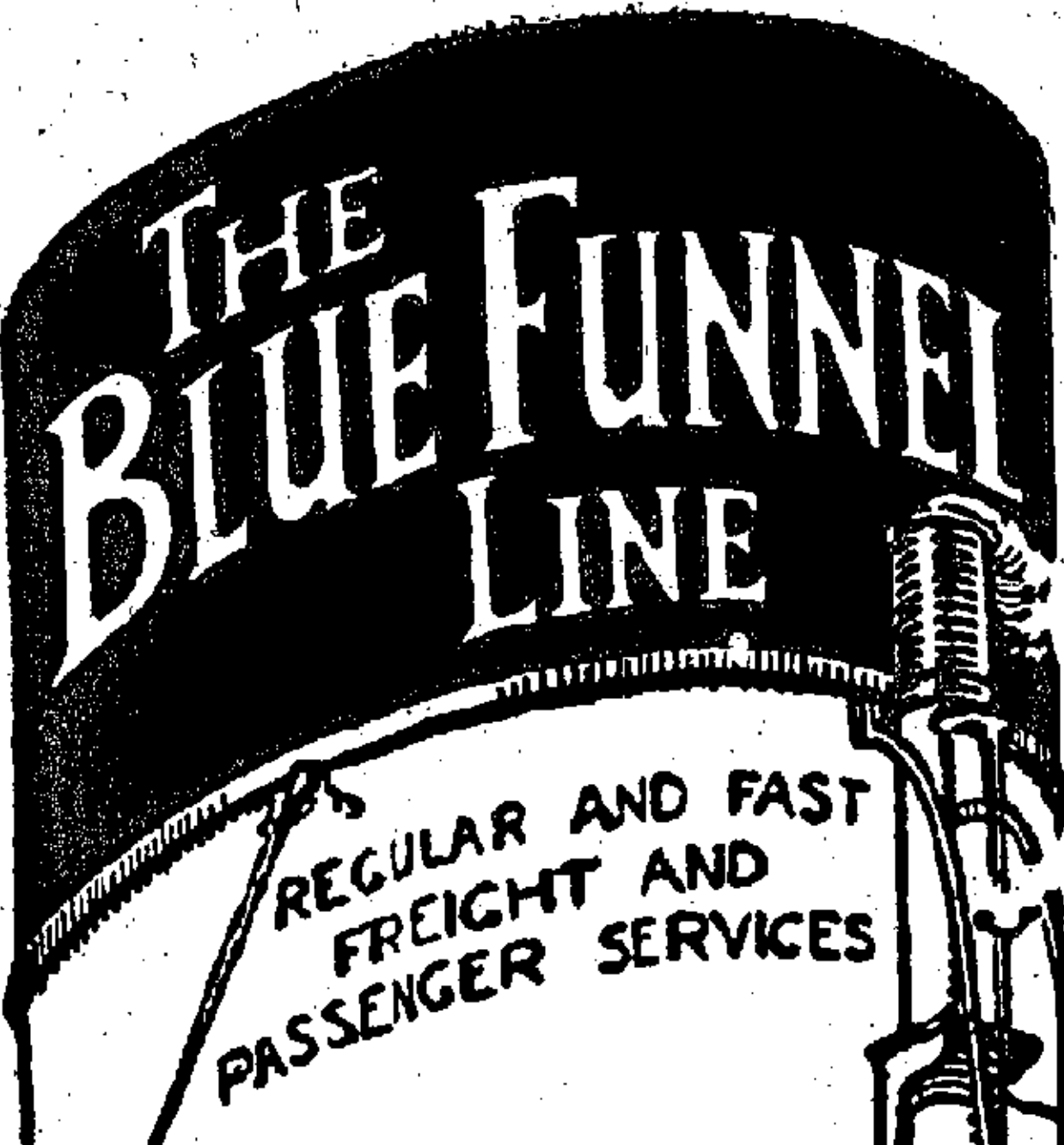
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U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 24th May)	President Madison
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For	Per
SATURDAY, JUNE 15.	
Swatow and Bangkok	Kwangchow 1.30 p.m.
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Saigon	Helikon 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa and Egypt	Jeypore 3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning 4 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hellas 5 p.m.
Manila	President Adams 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, JUNE 16.	
Sandakan	Mausang 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, JUNE 17.	
Shanghai, Japan and Victoria, B.C.	(Due Victoria, B.C., 12th July.) Shidzuka Maru 8.30 a.m.
Amoy	Kiungchow 10.30 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Yuensang
Wei Hai Wei via Shanghai	Parcels June 17, Noon
Haiphong	Letters June 17, 1 p.m.
Swatow	Yingchow 1.30 p.m.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco	Canton 1.30 p.m.
	Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Sijeria	President Cleveland (Due San Francisco, 10th July and Europe via Siberia.) Parcels June 17, 3 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island	Registration June 17, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters June 17, 5 p.m.
	President Cleveland Registration June 17, 4.15 p.m.
	Letters June 17, 6 p.m.
TUESDAY, JUNE 18.	
Holhow and Pakhoi	Changeo (Due Thursday Island, 20th June.) Parcels June 17, 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Registration June 18, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters June 18, 10.30 a.m.
	Chetung 9.30 a.m.
	Tonkin 1 p.m.

WIDOWS' & ORPHANS' PENSIONS

EARLY MISTAKE

NECESSARY AMENDMENT OF
LAW TO BE RETROSPECTIVE

OFFICERS AND EXEMPTION

In the "Government Gazette" is
published a Bill intituled an Or-
dinance to amend further the
Widows' & Orphans' Pensions Or-
dinance, 1908.

The objects and reasons
state:—

Section 2 of this Ordinance will cor-
rect an obvious mistake in section 2 (1)
(c) of the Widows' and Orphans' Pen-
sion Ordinance, 1908, Ordinance No. 15
of 1908. The Widows' and Orphans'
Pension Scheme applies, generally
speaking, only to permanent officers,
but in 1921 it was extended to officers
appointed on an agreement for periods
exceeding two years. Section 3 (1) (c)
of the principal Ordinance in its pre-
sent obviously incorrect form would
make the Scheme apply to officers on
agreement for periods not exceeding
two years, whilst excluding officers on
agreement for periods exceeding two
years. This mistake must have occurred
in the printing of the present re-
vised edition, because the section ap-
pears correctly in the Law Revision
Ordinance, 1924, Ordinance No. 5 of
1924, s. 36.

The Word "Not"

Section 3 makes this amendment
retrospective, so as to date back to the
time when the present revised edition
of the Ordinance became the Statute
book for all purposes, because every
one has all along acted as if the word
"not" did not occur in the paragraph
in question. The proclamation referred
to is the proclamation which brought
the new revised edition into effect.

Section 4 inserts, in the principal
Ordinance a section dealing with the
case of persons transferred from Hong
Kong who are already contributing to
a widows' and orphans' pension
scheme in some other Colony. The
new section provides that such an
officer need not contribute to the Hong
Kong scheme. It gives him three
months to claim exemption, the three
months dating from the time when he
commenced to draw salary from the
Government. The section applies only
where the scheme to which the officer
is already contributing is approved by
the Secretary of State.

A New Position

The new section also provides that
if an officer obtains exemption, any
contributions previously made by him
under the principal Ordinance shall be
returned to him without interest. Some
contributions might have been deduct-
ed while the officers' claim was being
dealt with. The reference in sub-
section 6 of the new section is to the
obtaining of exemption because a claim
would fail if the scheme in the other
Colony were not one approved by the
Secretary of State. The new section is
made to apply in the case of schemes
in colonies, protectorates, mandated ter-
ritories, and British India.

Section 5 of this Ordinance is a tem-
porary provision dealing with the case
of officers who at present are liable to
contribute under the principal Ordina-
nce, but who will be entitled to claim
exemption when this Ordinance becomes
law. Such officers are given three
months after the commencement of the
Ordinance in which to claim exemp-
tion. Any such officers on leave at the
commencement of this Ordinance will
have three months after return from
leave to claim exemption.

Thousands of acres of the
Luisierie Forest, a few miles from
Laval, in France, have been de-
stroyed by fire.

CONFLICT RESUMED

KWANGSI REJECTS PEACE
OVERTURES

TERMS OF SURRENDER

Wuchow, Yesterday.

The terms offered by the pro-
Government troops to the Kwangsi
remnants for the latter's surrender
being deemed (by the latter) to be
the conflict between these two
groups, to the west of Wuchow, have
been resumed and the combined
pro-Government forces appear to
have met a reverse. Hundreds of
wounded are being brought into
town from up-river districts.

The Kwangsi troops are willing
to make concessions, including the
retirement of the present division
commanders, on condition that the
junior officers be kept in their
places, and that those to be retired
be given arrears of two months' pay.
The officers to retire insist
that their homes and property in
Kwangsi be immune from confisca-
tion, but the Government's sup-
porters refuse to concede this.
Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

True Barometer?

Canton, Yesterday.

As a sequel to the receipt of
unfavourable news received here
from the West River districts, the
notes of the Central Bank of China
in Canton again dropped several
points this morning, the present
value being less than 80 per cent.

Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of
Finance, denies the report that the
gambling monopoly in Canton will
be revived as part of the war
finance programme.

Mr. Sun Fo, Minister of
Railways, is expected to visit
Canton shortly, according to his
friends.—Nan Chung Kuo News
Service.

Reward to Victors

Wuchow, Yesterday.

General Li Ming-shu, command-
ing the pro-Government Kwangsi
troops in Wuchow, and Mr. Yu
Tsok-pak, Chairman-designate of
the Kwangsi Government by man-
date of Nanking, have informed
their followers that they have been
and will be financially assisted by
Nanking and that it is untrue that
their army is in want. It is said
that they have assured all in
Wuchow that no unlawful demands
will be made on the people for
funds, adding that Marshal Chiang
Kai-shek has instructed the Finance
Minister, Mr. T. V. Soong, to
follow them to South China to at-
tend to financial problems.

For their part in the capture of
Wuchow, Admiral Chan Chak and
his fleet will receive a substantial
reward; and the Canton Aviation
Corps will also be rewarded hand-
somerly.—Nan Chung Kuo News
Service.

A monument to Columbus, de-
signed by Miss Whitney, has been
unveiled at Huelva, Spain.

LAW ON JURY SERVICE

FINAL LISTS

PROCEDURE WHEN AGREEMENT
IS NOT REACHED

POLICE RESERVE UNEXEMPT

In the "Government Gazette" is
published the draft of a Bill in-
stituted an Ordinance to amend
the Jury Ordinance, 1887.

Under "objects and reasons" it
is stated:

Section 7 of the Jury Ordinance,
1887, Ordinance No. 6 of 1887, pro-
vides that the Special Jurors List and
the Common Jurors List for any par-
ticular year must be brought into force
on the 1st day of March, and there is
no power to extend this date. The
section also requires that the list of
persons liable to serve as jurors must
be posted up outside the Courts of
Justice on or before the 1st day of
February in each year, and there is
also no power to extend this date. The
section also requires the consideration
of the jurors list by the Legislative
Council in the second half of February.
The rigidity of these provisions has
caused inconvenience from time to time
and has sometimes made very difficult
a proper consideration of points aris-
ing on the lists. This amending bill
gives the Governor power to extend
the dates in question in case of neces-
sity.

Transfer of Duty

The Jury Ordinance, 1887, provides
for the final settlement of the lists by
the Legislative Council. The bill trans-
fers this duty to the Governor in Coun-
cil, who is considered to be the more
suitable authority.

The Jury Ordinance, 1887, throws on
the Legislative Council the whole duty
of selecting the special jurors. The
bill provides that the list of special
jurors shall be compiled in the first
instance by the Registrar. The Regis-
trar will be guided as to the number of
names to be included in the list of spe-
cial jurors as the bill provides for a
certain maximum. This maximum may
be altered by the Governor in Coun-
cil from time to time. The list of
special jurors will be finally settled by
the Governor in Council, and in settling
the list the Governor in Council will not
be bound by any previous order made
by him as to the maximum number
of names to be included.

As the date on which the two lists
for any particular year are to be
brought into use is no longer rigidly
fixed by Ordinance, the bill provides
that the lists brought into use in any
particular year shall continue in force
until the lists settled in the following
year are brought into use.

The above changes are made by
clauses 3 and 4 of the bill. Clause 7
of the bill is a temporary provision to
the effect that the lists brought into use
on March 1, 1929, shall continue in
force until the new lists settled in
1930 are brought into use.

The bill amends the principal Ordina-
nce in certain other minor points also.

Police Reserve

Clause 2 amends section 4 of the
Jury Ordinance, 1887, on the two fol-
lowing points. In the first place it
makes an addition to paragraph (2),
which is intended to make it clear that
members of the Hong Kong Police Re-
serve are not to be exempt from jury
service. In the second place, it omits
the reference to dissent in paragraph
(3), because it has been objected that
the word dissent is inappropriate where
there is no established religion.

Section 10 of the Jury Ordinance,
1887, provides, *inter alia*, that a jury
panel must be drawn by the Deputy
Registrar in the presence of the Regis-
trar. This might be inconvenient
and accordingly clause 5 amends sec-
tion 10 of the Jury Ordinance, 1887,
by providing that the panel may be
drawn either by the Registrar or by a
Deputy Registrar.

When Jury Cannot Agree
Section 24 of the Jury Ordinance,
1887, provides, *inter alia*, that if a jury
has not returned its verdict before
all the other cases for trial at the
same session "have been disposed of
and when it sufficiently appears" that
the jury cannot agree, the jury is to be
discharged and a new jury to be em-
pannelled. The word "session" is not
entirely free from doubt, but even if it
means only a day's sitting, a case may
easily arise where it would be unne-
cessary to wait to the end of the day be-
fore being sure that the jury could not
agree.

Again, it may be doubtful when the
point of time is reached which is de-
scribed by the words of the section
"when all the other cases for trial at
the same sitting or session have
been disposed of." For example, two
cases might be down for hearing on a
particular day and only one might be
disposed of on that day, or neither
case might be finished on that day.
Accordingly clause 6 of the bill alters
the word "or" to "and" in the pas-
sage quoted at the beginning of this
paragraph. The result will be that the
court will have power to discharge a
jury at any time when satisfied that the
jury cannot agree upon a verdict.

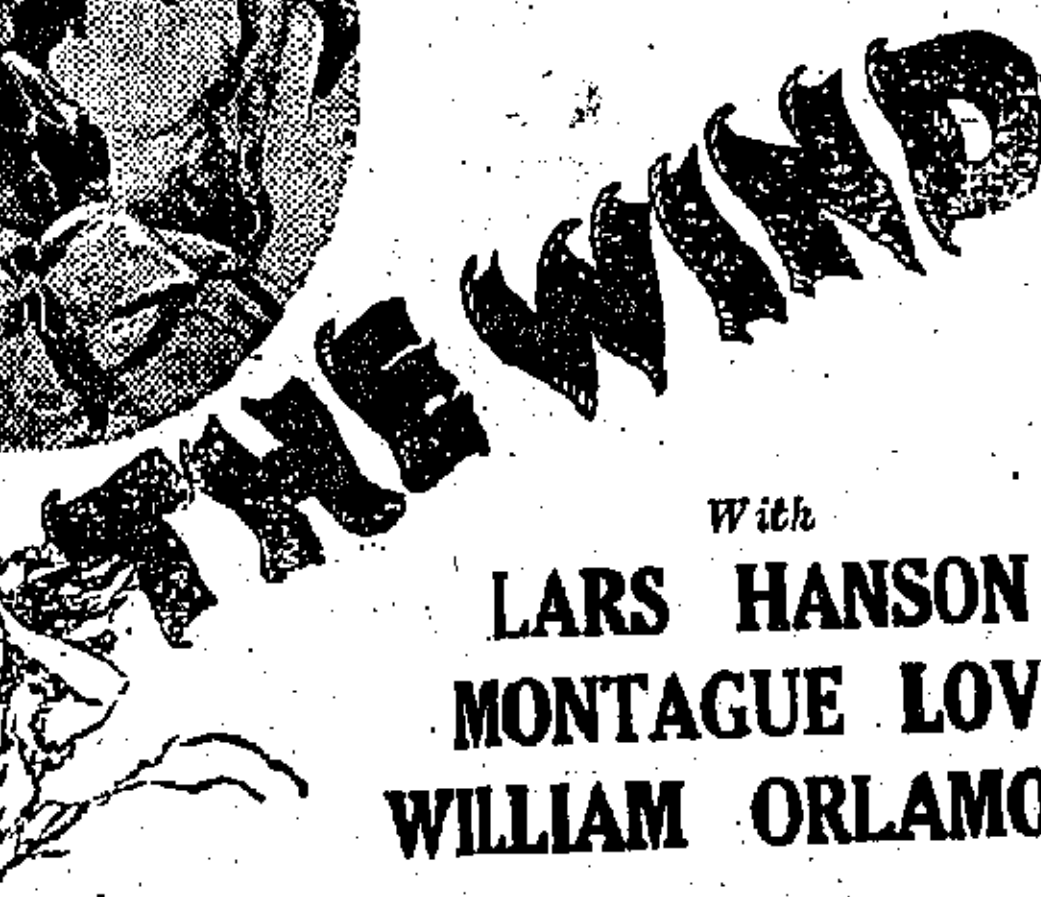
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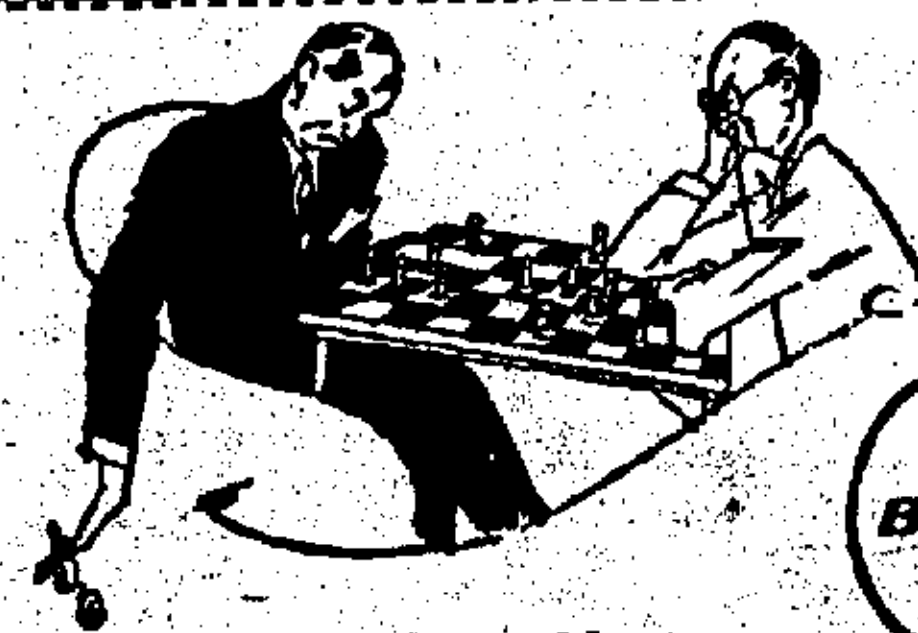
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